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Damron Files Charges due to Dismissal

By Lisa Clark
Bulletin Staff Writer

Geography Professor Jack Damron filed charges with the federal Equal Employment Opportunities Commission last year, claiming that Mary Washington College had violated a federal law in firing him.

The Equal Employment Opportunities Commission (EEOC) investigators spent one day here last fall looking into Damron's charges that age discrimination, his involvement with Martin Luther King Day, and race and gender issues were all factors in his dismissal, which takes effect at the end of this school year. The EEOC refuses to comment on the case and has yet to release its findings. Among those interviewed were Special Collections Librarian Brenda Sloan, biology Professor Daniel Abel, and sociology Professor Bill Hanson, but none of the people interviewed are allowed to comment on their testimonies.

Damron alleges that personal enmity against him in the department, and non-professional activities inconducive to teaching effectiveness, are the real issues. He also says that he was denied due process by the College administration in his attempts to fight the termination. No College administrator or geography faculty member will comment on the case.

"My position is that every person has a right to a fair hearing and to be judged on his or her record," said Damron. "The procedure for redress at MWC is pitiful for untenured faculty."

According to Damron, the first time he was told that his performance was deficient, since arriving here in 1987, was in a March 1990 evaluation by geography Chairperson James Gouger, and came during the same semester that Damron was eligible to apply for tenure.

"The president had made a very unusual action with a substantial \$5,000 raise in September 1989," said Damron. "I thought things were going well."

In the 1990 evaluation, however, Gouger charged that Damron could not deal with students in groups, and was an ineffective instructor.

Damron cites several false statements in the evaluation.

"The 1990 evaluation was full of distortions and lies," said Damron. "He [Gouger] had never given me any indication that anything was wrong before the evaluation."

In the two-page document, Gouger wrote that "Dr. Damron has expressed some displeasure with the number and size of classes he is called upon to teach."

Damron claims that the charge "is a red herring."

"There's nothing to it," he says. "I've taught an average of 140 students a semester."

Gouger also wrote that Damron "has not met the expectations of his colleagues for scholarly productivity and he has either failed to discharge important professional obligations or has done so after established deadlines have passed and in an unsatisfactory manner."

Damron feels differently.

"In my department in the past three years, a total of five members gave ten papers at professional meetings," he said. "I gave five of these."

Damron is currently teaching two sections of Introduction to Physical Geography and one section of Geomorphology. His specialties include physical geography, environmental geography, and water resources. Be-



Photo Pam Richardson on age discrimination. Jack Damron believes his dismissal from MWC is based on age discrimination.

fore coming to MWC he taught at Portland State University in Portland, Oregon.

Damron claims that Gouger was not alone in making the decision to give him an unsatisfactory evaluation.

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All Students to Receive Boxes, Directory

Next Year both on and off campus students will have an MWC P.O. box.

By Andrea Hatch
Bulletin News Editor

Starting in the fall of 1991, all students at Mary Washington College will receive their mail through a campus box.

According to Conrad Warlick, vice president of Administrative Services at the College, all full-time and part-time degree-seeking students on or off campus will be assigned a post office box, which they will share with two or three randomly picked students. The students will keep this box as long as they attend Mary Washington.

Under the current procedure, only residential students get a mailbox, which they share with their roommate(s), at the Campus Center. Commuting students usually receive their mail at their current or home address.

"We will also assign boxes to all commuting students so that they have the opportunity to receive mail," said Warlick. "Obviously, this is financially attractive for the College because at 29 cents a letter, it doesn't take long to spend a lot of money. It also means that [commuting students] will be able to receive a lot more information that the College would be hesitant to mail out, simply because of the cost."

The address for box owners will follow a new standard format:

Box MWC - 1234 (a four digit code)
1701 College Avenue
Fredericksburg, VA 22401-6466
Administration and faculty addresses will be slightly different from the students' name



Photo Michael Fuhrman
Next year all degree seeking students on or off campus will receive their mail at the Campus Center.

department
1301 College Avenue
Fredericksburg, VA 22401-5358
This is the College's current address.

To allow all students to receive boxes, the College is changing the large post office boxes into standard boxes, creating 260 new boxes for student use, said Warlick. The large boxes are currently being used for organizations, such as clubs and student offices. A few large boxes will be left for certain organizations.

The assignment of the boxes will be done by random selection through the Administrative Information Service's computer. Students will be notified of their new box numbers before classes start on Aug. 26, 1991.

Besides the cost of mailing letters to off-campus students, the College

decided to change the boxes to help solve difficult situations post office employees are having, said Warlick. Currently, residential students have to change addresses from year to year. Students frequently find that letters have been sent to old boxes because of the change.

In the Fredericksburg area, there is a problem because many resident hall names, such as Marye, Mercer, and Mary Ball, are the same as street names.

"That created some real problems for the post office in terms of delivering the mail, because they would have a 102 Marye and a 102 Marye St.," said Warlick.

Another problem is the greater use

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Residents Flee Westmoreland Following Bomb Threat

By David Clayton
Bulletin Photography Editor

Last Wednesday night a bomb threat forced the evacuation of Westmoreland Hall as state and local police and fire departments conducted an extensive search of the building. No explosives were found.

The search followed a report to College Police at 10:12 p.m. from Westmoreland of an anonymous caller who said there was a bomb in the building set to detonate at 10:25 p.m., according to College Police. The case is currently under investigation.

"The police told us to pull the alarm and get everyone out," said Eric Stephan, resident assistant on the first floor, where the call was received. Students then congregated around the front entrance to the building. "As soon as we told them it wasn't a fire drill, but that we had gotten a bomb threat, they ran down to campus walk," said Stephan.

The call, from a young female, came just after 10 p.m. to the north end of the first floor, according to residents. A second call came just as the building was being evacuated. The second time the caller said that it was not a joke.

The building was evacuated and the residents were told that the building

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Photo Pam Richardson
Many people came out to the Multicultural/International Festival to show their cultural pride and observe other cultures, through art exhibits, music and dancing.

Gay Awareness Week Brings Harassment and Support

By Kimberly Willis
Bulletin Staff Writer

It was not the tasty Cheerios that students in Seabeck were talking about on the morning of Monday, April 8. They were reacting to a particular flyer that senior Amy Martel, president of the Gay, Lesbian, and Bisexual Student Association, had distributed.

The flyer, which promoted a Gay Awareness Week event, was headlined with the words "NIGGER," "JAP," "SPIC," and several other racial slurs which were there to point out derogatory terms such as "homo" and "fag" to homosexuals. Within two hours, these flyers were taken off the tables by Joanne Beck, vice president for Student Affairs and dean of students.

According to Martel, the organization chose this tactic of publicity in retaliation to flyers she found on Seabeck tables during Junior Ring Week. "Last week, some of the flyers were highly offensive to gays," said Martel. "Words like 'faggot' and 'homo' hurt us and cause pain."

"We didn't use the words to attack, but just to demonstrate," explained Martel.

Martel also said that all of her organization's publicity has been de-

stroyed and defaced. "I'm not asking everyone to love me, but I feel I have the right to advertise," she said.

"All of our students have the right to advertise, but this flyer is not treating all members of our campus with dignity," said Beck. She elaborated by explaining that the flyer was shock advertising and inappropriate.

"I had a meeting with Dean Beck shortly after my flyer was pulled, and I'll never forget what she said," recalled Martel. "Amy, the word 'nigger' is the trigger word." Martel added that Beck stated that if that word was omitted, there would have been no problem.

Beck told a different story. "I told Amy that all of the racial slurs had to be removed," said Beck.

Beck told a different story. "I told Amy that all of the racial slurs had to be removed," said Beck. "The controversial flyers were confiscated within two hours. Not many students actually saw the flyer, but those who did see said they didn't approve."

"They tried to get the point across, but they lacked tactics," said senior Monica Tate. "We have our struggle and they have theirs. They should keep it to themselves."

"I thought it was very distasteful," said Tonya Scarborough, a junior and treasurer of the Black Student Asso-

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Lost Art Worth \$500,000 Found by MWC Students

By Carrie Reams
Special to the Bulletin

In addition to a long wooden desk and a swivel chair, Susanne Arnold also obtained some new artwork for her office when she visited Mary Washington College's Physical Plant last summer.

Actually, the artwork was not new at all. The two paintings Arnold received were from MWC's permanent art collection and had been unaccounted for since 1966, when they were lent to The College of William and Mary for

exhibition.

"It was really exciting," said Arnold. "I went to the Physical Plant to look for a desk and told the workers what I was doing, and they said they had two old crates labeled 'paintings' if I wanted to see them."

For Arnold, the new director of duPont Galleries, this was the beginning of what has become an extensive project to locate approximately 63 pieces in Mary Washington College's permanent collection, valued at approximately \$500,000.

Through the instigation of former art

department Chairperson Julian Benford and former Chancellor Grellet Simpson, MWC began a series of annual art exhibits at duPont Galleries in 1956.

MWC acquired paintings from these shows each year through donations and purchase awards with the hope that "a collection of works will be formed to benefit Mary Washington" according to the fall 1956 art show catalogue.

Since these shows stopped in 1965, the College has lost track of many of the pieces. According to Arnold

"control of the movement of these pieces is not in existence at this point, so many of the piece movements have not been recorded."

Arnold has spent a great deal of time this year trying to locate pieces of the collection, and has enlisted a group of art majors and art history majors in her Gallery and Exhibition Techniques class in the search.

Each student was given a goal of locating approximately 10 to 15 paintings over the semester. The stu-

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Opinions

The 1990 Gay Awareness Week, held last week, April 8 - 12, prompted many varied responses from students.

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Registration Time is Fun Time for MWC Students



Students wait for their new schedules during the first week of registration for Fall classes.

Photo David Clayton

MWC Creates New Spaces to Help Parking Problem

By Dana Blevins
Bulletin Staff Writer

Approximately 60 new parking spaces were added during the Mary Washington College Spring Break from March 8-18. According to MWC Chief of Police David Ankney, the police reduced the size of current spaces in order to create most of the new ones.

"We were wasting a tremendous amount of space," Ankney said. "You could see evidence of that waste just by looking at a Subaru Justy that had eight feet on either side of it."

Ankney added that old spaces were reduced from 9 feet to 8 feet wide, and from 24 to 20 feet long. "We sort of made a new parking lot without having to spend the money," commented Ankney.

MWC Police Sgt. Sandy Gooding said, "Some of the new spaces were put where people already parked, but at least some new spaces were made." She added that the 60 new spaces were divided randomly between faculty and student lots.

Before Spring Break, according to Ankney, there were 1,151 parking spaces; 453 staff spaces, 660 student spaces, 9 visitor spaces, 18 handicap spaces, and 31 miscellaneous spaces. He added that there are 3,783 registered vehicles which use those spaces.

Ankney added that approximately 1,110 of those registered vehicles belong to commuter students who park on city streets, not in any of the 1,151 campus spaces.

"We try to be flexible to accommodate everyone, but it's kind of a no-win situation," he said. "People who complained that there are no parking spaces are now upset because of the narrower ones."

According to Ankney, the need for parking spaces has had two unfortunate results: increased parking tickets and increased towing of cars.

Ankney added that MWC police issued 4,675 campus tickets and 800 city tickets in 1990.



Photo Pam Richardson

To help ease parking problems, the College created 60 new spaces over Spring Break.

According to Gooding, the offenses of students parking in staff lots or students not parking in designated areas make up the bulk of the tickets.

"Local residents complain about students parked in front of their houses for extended periods of time, and juniors and seniors call about freshmen and sophomores parking in their areas," Gooding added.

Senior JoAnna Berry said "I never really had a bad problem with parking, except when I borrowed a faculty parking spot for ten minutes to go ask a sophomore to move out of a senior spot and then got a ticket."

Gooding said that the majority of tickets set a fine of \$10, and that the ticket revenue probably does not revert to the Police Department. Conrad Warlick, vice president for Administrative Services, pointed out that ticket revenue goes into the College's general fund. "Like library fees, it is not allocated for any particular purpose," Warlick said.

Junior Laura Norfolk accounts for at least six of last year's tickets. "Freshman year we were allowed to park on College Avenue, so when I came back,

I parked there," Norfolk said. "When I looked at the end of the week, the police had stacked tickets one on top of another. There were six in all."

Towing is another result of the parking problems, Ankney said.

"During the first part of this semester, we towed about 70 cars; sometimes three or four a day," Ankney said. "It certainly has corrected the problem, although some people had to get towed a couple of times."

Ankney added that the current policy on towing is to call the driver of a vehicle before towing it. "Because it's an inconvenience for all of us, I like the idea of giving them a few minutes to come out," Ankney said.

Since some faculty members complained, the police had been towing cars without phoning the owners. But, Ankney said, "after about three weeks of towing everyone, including faculty, without phoning, we went back to calling the students, since the faculty complained about that too," said Ankney.

According to Ankney, the College had planned to build a 190-space parking lot on Sunken Road to reduce

Faculty Rejects Self-Scheduling

By Lisa Clark
Bulletin Staff Writer

The Mary Washington College faculty has overwhelmingly rejected a proposal to change the current fixed-schedule exam policy.

The proposal by the Committee on Academic Affairs would have given faculty members who teach multiple sections of a course the option of allowing students to take their final exams at any of the scheduled times.

Currently, students may take exams only during their specifically-scheduled exam times, and cannot self-schedule any exams except under special circumstances such as three exams in one day or two exams occurring at the same time.

During a March 6 faculty meeting several faculty members, including psychology Professor J. Christopher Bill, spoke against the proposal.

"It would make it difficult for faculty member X to say 'no' while faculty

member Y says 'yes,'" he emphasized. "It should be decided for all and not be an option."

Others, like English Professor Susan Hanna, disliked the proposal's reference to self-scheduling.

"We voted not to have self-scheduled exams," she said. "It's going to put a lot of pressure on professors to let students out of Saturday exams."

Russian Professor Joseph Bozicevic questioned the type of exam that would have to be used.

"Does this imply that an instructor gives the same exam in all sections?" he said.

According to Academic Affairs Chairperson Claudine Ferrell, the proposal change came about last semester, when some faculty members indicated a desire to allow students to reschedule exams or pick different exam times.

"This prompted a reminder from Dean Philip Hall that the faculty had voted on a policy against self-sched-

uling," said Ferrell, also a professor of history. "The faculty then returned to the fixed schedule only."

"The proposal was sympathetic to having the element of flexibility," she continued. "It would have taken care of hassles and eliminated the burden of students going to the dean with problems."

"It's theoretically possible that no faculty would want to do it," she said.

Committee member R. Leigh Frackleton supported the proposal.

"I thought it would give flexibility to professors who had multiple sections and want to allow students to take their exams at any of the times offered for the section," he said. "It's not a requirement, but an option for faculty."

Despite the proposal's rejection, Ferrell was pleased with the faculty's handling of the issue.

"It was a nice debate because it was focused on the proposal only and not the self-scheduling issue," she said.

News Briefs

Mayfield to Speak on Autism

Gail Mayfield, director of the Virginia Autism Resource Center in Winchester, Va., will deliver two talks at Mary Washington College on the topic of autism on Thursday, April 18. Both programs are free and open to the public.

Mayfield, who also serves as senior program director at Grafton School in Berryville, Va., will speak on "Teaching Language to Handicapped Children" at 9:30 a.m. and on "An Overview of Autism" at 7 p.m. Both presentations will be held in Chandler 102.

The programs are sponsored by the Department of Psychology and the Association for Retarded Citizens -- Rappahannock.

Multicultural Center Expresses Appreciation

Thanks to the following offices and clubs for making the Multicultural/International Festival possible: Global Observation Committee, International Programs Department, Black Student Association, BOND, Hispanic Student Association, Women of Color, Asian Student Association, Hillel, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Multicultural Center, Honor Council, Student Activities Office, International Student Association, Student Association Entertainment Committee, Physical Plant, Printing Services, Campus Police, Community Outreach and Resources (COAR), Association of Resident Halls, and the Multicultural/International Festival Planning Committee.

Show Choir to Perform April 22

The Mary Washington College Show Choir will perform on Monday, April 22 and Saturday, April 27 in Dodd Auditorium and will focus selections from Broadway and Hollywood.

The show choir, which was formed in 1982, combines singing with dancing and a little acting. The participants this year are Seniors Tevin Chaney, Barbara Craig (who is also the group's choreographer), Andrea dePaul, and Russ Painter, Sophomore Kristin Erickson, and Freshman John Daniel. Dr. Steve Burton directs the group.

MWC Symphony to Present Concert

The Mary Washington College Community Symphony Orchestra will present the final concert of the 1990-91 season on Friday, April 19. The concert will be presented at 8:15 p.m. in George Washington Hall, Dodd Auditorium. The program is free and open to the public. Selections to be performed are from the standard orchestral repertoire. They include von Suppe's "Light Cavalry Overture," form his opera of the same name; "To a Little Star," for soprano and orchestra by Mussorgsky; von Weber's "Clarinet Concertino" and movements II and III from the "Piano Concerto Number Three," by Kabalevsky. The finale, "That's Entertainment," is a potpourri of Hollywood favorites from the 1930's.

The 80-piece orchestra is composed of almost equal numbers of college student musicians and community musicians. There is reserved seating for members of "Friends of the Orchestra" at the concert.

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citation. "It's time people stopped comparing blacks to everything. Find another foundation!"

Scarborough said that she does not know of any black students who did not find the flyer offensive. Martel said, however, that she talked to several ethnically-diverse students about the flyer and they agreed that it was effective, not offensive.

The flyer not only expressed disapproval of Junior Ring Week practical jokes, but it also informed the College that the week of April 7 was Gay Awareness Week.

Later during the week, another flyer which tried to answer flyers the GBLSA had put out about what Jesus said about homosexuality, was taken off by Beck. Because of the content of these to advertisements, Beck issued a flyer stating that any flyer that is placed on Seacobeck tables needs to have a Student Activities stamp of authorization.

According to homosexual students, it was a week of extremes: some harassment and much fan-

tastic support. Every Gay Awareness event drew a crowd of 40 or more individuals.

On Sunday, April 7, 40 people attended a program offering readings from gay and lesbian literature. "Some guys in the very last row came and harassed us verbally," said Martel. "Most of us were shocked at them for doing that."

Monday's event drew a slightly larger crowd of 50. The president of the Washington Metropolitan and the Richmond divisions of Parents and Friends of Lesbian and Gays discussed personal experiences. Also, the parents of homosexual junior Russell Catc discussed their situation. But while the meeting was going on in Trinkle, gay-bashers defaced posters with "All Homos Are Wrong, Bad, and They Must Die."

Tuesday night Craig Dean discussed his efforts to obtain a marriage license in Washington D.C. More than 60 individuals attended.

The rest of the week consisted of a Homophobia Workshop on Wednesday, which was also "Wear Jeans If You Support Gay Rights Day." On Thursday, a film documentary on "The Holocaust and the Homosexual" was

presented. After the film, Martel reminded the audience to attend the dance scheduled for Friday night. "You don't have to be gay to attend!" shouted Martel.

The entire week cost the organization \$700. All of the events were done through volunteers except for the homosexual couple and the film, which the club co-sponsored with the philosophy department. Because of all the publicity and talk around campus, Dean Beck said that she believes that positive dialogue has started on both sides. "The way you make change is by listening and learning about how others feel about things," said Beck.

"The club has gotten a lot of momentum now," said Will Crawford, sophomore and next year's club representative to the Inter-Club Association. "We're here and we are still trying to gain acceptance."

"I just want the school to look at this positively and not as a threat," said Martel. "I'm not asking people to be gay. I just want things to be a little easier for me and my community."

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The debate team went to Texas to represent MWC in a national tournament.

Debate Team Competes in National Tournament

By Kim Quillen
Ballet Features Editor

For the first time in the College's history, the debate team has had the opportunity to represent Mary Washington nationally. From April 4-8, two debaters and debate adviser John Morello attended the National Debate Tournament held at Trinity College in San Antonio, Texas.

Jeanne Edwards and John Thomas qualified for the tournament by debating competitively in their district. "We finished fourth in the district, which was high enough to advance to nationals," said Morello. Mary Washington was one of six teams chosen from the district's qualifier, where teams from Liberty, Georgetown, James Madison University and other colleges competed.

"This is the second time that [Mary Washington] has competed in the district qualifier," said Morello.

Morello and the debaters were pleased with the showing in the competition. "We had three wins and five losses," explained Thomas.

"I was elated with the record," said Morello, who noted that the first time a team participates in a national conference is always difficult.

"We travel on a regional tournament schedule," said Morello. He attributes the regional nature of the schedule to the team's youth. However, most of the teams at the national tournament have debated on the national circuit, where the best teams in the nation debate each other. The MWC team attended one national circuit debate this year.

"We're real unknown," said Morello. "That hurts us from a preparation standpoint."

Thomas also noted a difference between debating regionally and nationally. While the team debated schools of varying sizes regionally, "at nationals, most of the schools are bigger than us."

"Although Morello was expecting a trip to nationals during the 1991-92 season, this year's placement was a surprise. "I was hoping they would do well [in the district qualifier]," said Morello. "But it was a surprise that they qualified." Though Edwards and Thomas were relatively inexperienced

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at the U.S. post office of Optical Character Readers (OCRs). This device reads zip codes through a scanner and sorts the mail by computers. OCRs are one of the many devices helping the post office to become more automated. According to Warlick, this seemed to be an ideal time for the College to capitalize on this automation.

But the College will not take advantage of the changes immediately. The change from large to standard boxes will cost approximately \$3,000, according to Warlick. The costs will be paid for by the money saved from not mailing off-campus residents information. MWC pays approximately \$348 per mailing to mail information to the 1,200 commuters. "It would only take ten mailings to pay for the boxes," said Warlick.

The College began the current system four years ago when the Campus Center opened. Before the Center was built, MWC students used boxes at College Station, a U.S. post office on College Avenue. Students were given random box assignments and

compared to debaters from competing colleges, Morello attributed their placement to the progress they have made this year.

Edwards had minimal debate experience in high school and joined the MWC team last year as a sophomore. This is her first year as a varsity debater, which requires at least one year of debating experience.

Edwards spends an estimated 10 to 15 hours per week researching for debates. "You get a national topic that expands or contracts over the year," explained Edwards. "The research gets bigger and the argument gets more specific and in-depth." This year's topic was whether or not the U.S. should substantially change its trade policy toward China, Korea, Hong Kong, Taiwan, and Japan.

Thomas is currently in his third year of debating and is one of the team's most experienced members. He began debating as a college sophomore. A student of political science, Thomas notes that the research he has done for the debate team has helped him with courses in his major.

"Most debaters are political scientists or history majors, so we're all on equal footing," says Thomas.

"I'm definitely the oddball," says Edwards, who is majoring in business and accounting. She adds, however, that though many debaters tend to be law school-bound, "our school has the greatest diversity of majors." Edwards attributes this to Mary Washington's liberal arts emphasis.

Though many debaters major in philosophy, political science, international affairs, and history, Edwards states that students of all academic interests have done well in debate. "You have to be willing to develop ideas and do a lot of work," said Edwards. "It requires motivation and a desire to think."

Next year, Morello hopes that the team will be able to move up in its levels of competition. "Hopefully, more debaters will be able to try their hand at the national circuit," says Morello. By gaining experience on the national circuit, Morello feels that the debaters will be better prepared for the national tournament, which will be an obvious goal for next year's team.

kept those boxes until they graduated.

Besides changes in boxes, students will also receive a new College directory, which will include student names, post office addresses, and home addresses. The local addresses of commuting students who do not live at home will not be listed, because many students will not be making final living arrangements until the end of the summer. Home and office addresses of faculty and employees of the College will also be included. Besides being listed in alphabetical order, the faculty and administration will also be registered by departments.

Presently, the College prints two separate directories, one for students and a separate one for administration and faculty. Only campus organizations, administrative offices, and residence halls receive a copy of each directory. Starting in the fall of 1991, every student will receive a free copy.

The directory will also have a yellow pages section. The administration hopes that local merchants will purchase these to help pay for the printing of the directory.

Students Evicted from Local Residence

By Jennifer Dory
Ballet Staff Writer

Six Mary Washington College students are suing their landlord for serving them with what they say is an unwarranted eviction notice. According to the eviction notice, the six men must leave the premise because of a city ordinance which bans more than three unrelated people from setting up a household together.

The students, who live at 1403 Charles Street, rent from Otis and Rebecca Light. The Lights own several properties around Fredericksburg, many of which they rent to college students.

"They [the Lights] knew perfectly well that six of us were planning to live here," said junior Paul Greene, one house resident. "After all, all our names are on the lease."

The Lights declined to comment on the situation.

The students' lawyer, William Botts, says that the students' main objective was to have a place to live for the year. The students have been able to remain in the house while the lease is under contest. Botts got the case moved from the general court, where a hearing would have been held right away, to the circuit court, where, due to a heavy case load, a hearing would not be able to be held until summer at the earliest. This enables the students to stay in the house for the remainder of the school year.

The case was moved because it raises questions about whether there is selective enforcement of city ordinances going on against college students in general, and specifically against males, Botts said.

The ordinance bans groups of more than three unrelated people from setting up a single household together. Robert Harris, a member of the Fredericksburg zoning board, pointed out that the ordinance says nothing specifically about gender.

According to Harris, his office takes action when they hear about violations of the ordinance.

"Usually we hear about it because of neighbors' complaints," he said, "and it may be the case that males are usually louder so they are reported more often."

Tom Savage, the Lights' lawyer, said that the Lights were not aware of the ordinance about more than three people living together when they rented the house out.

The ordinance was passed by City Council in 1984, according to Harris. "The Lights don't agree with the ordinance, but they must abide by the law," said Savage.

Originally, a hearing date had been set for late April, according to resident Larry Havey. But because the lease will run out early this summer, both lawyers said that the case will probably be dismissed before it actually gets to court.

When the students were originally served the eviction notice last September, the Lights were under pressure from the city of Fredericksburg to do something about their houses on the 1400 block of Charles Street and the adjoining block on Pitt Street because the police had been called several times to break up parties, according to Havey.

After the eviction notice was served, the students said they could not get in touch with the Lights, who were not answering or returning their phone calls. All communication from that point on was through the Lights' lawyer, Havey said.

According to Havey, Otis Light first offered to rent them two neighboring townhouses, claiming that he wanted to sell the 1403 Charles property. State law requires all current lease agreements to be honored in the event of the sale of the property.

The Lights rent to several different groups of Mary Washington College students in the area, and other houses not in accordance with city ordinance "have been or are being taken care of," according to Tom Savage.

Residents of the house are juniors Brendan Casey, Paul Greene, Keith Hall, Larry Havey, Bob Linger, and Eric Mink.

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dents' job was to locate the paintings, measure them, document their status, and complete a brief biography on the artist.

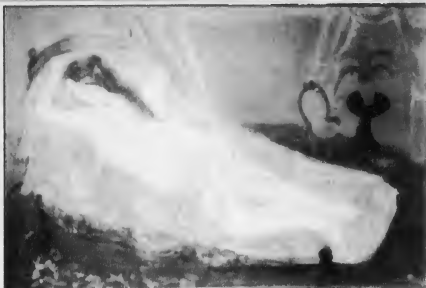
The class has identified the location of 45 pieces so far. "Six or seven were found that we thought were completely lost," said Arnold. "They hadn't been seen since 1966. The rest were found exactly where they were supposed to be or somewhere nearby."

"We each took what we knew was in the collection and divided it up among us, then we just went out and looked. It was like finding a buried treasure," said Kate Gordon, a junior.

Senior Mike Antonio has found three pieces so far in his search. Last week he presented the class with his latest find -- an oil painting entitled *NUDE* by Nicholas Vassileff. The painting was a purchase award in 1963.

"The only clue we had about this painting was a very old note from Joanne Soughworth, now Dean Beck, that said the painting had been moved to a Dean Baker's office," said Antonio. Although no one knew anything about a Dean Baker, Antonio eventually located the painting in Beck's closet in the office of Student Affairs.

Although the painting was not the most popular or valuable in the collection, members of the class make it clear that every piece is very important to locate. "She [the painting] is a little beat up and dirty, but she's home



NUDE by Nicholas Vassileff was found by junior Mike Antonio in Dean Joanne Beck's closet.

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Registration Time is Fun Time for MWC Students



Students wait for their new schedules during the first week of registration for Fall classes.

Photo David Clayton

MWC Creates New Spaces to Help Parking Problem

By Dana Blevins
Bulletin Staff Writer

Approximately 60 new parking spaces were added during the Mary Washington College Spring Break from March 8-18. According to MWC Chief of Police David Ankney, the police reduced the size of current spaces in order to create most of the new ones.

"We were wasting a tremendous amount of space," Ankney said. "You could see evidence of that waste just by looking at a Subaru Justy that had eight feet on either side of it."

Ankney added that old spaces were reduced from 9 feet to 8 feet wide, and from 24 to 20 feet long. "We sort of made a new parking lot without having to spend the money," commented Ankney.

MWC Police Sgt. Sandy Gooding said, "Some of the new spaces were put where people already parked, but at least some new spaces were made." She added that the 60 new spaces were divided randomly between faculty and student lots.

Before Spring Break, according to Ankney, there were 1,151 parking spaces: 453 staff spaces, 660 student spaces, 9 visitor spaces, 18 handicap spaces, and 31 miscellaneous spaces. He added that there are 3,783 registered vehicles which use those spaces.

Ankney added that approximately 1,110 of those registered vehicles belong to commuter students who park on city streets, not in any of the 1,151 campus spaces.

"We try to be flexible to accommodate everyone, but it's kind of a no-win situation," he said. "People who complained that there are no parking spaces are now upset because of the narrower ones."

According to Ankney, the need for parking spaces has had two unfortunate results: increased parking tickets and increased towing of cars.

Ankney added that MWC police issued 4,675 campus tickets and 800 city tickets in 1990.



Photo Pam Richardson

To help ease parking problems, the College created 60 new spaces over Spring Break.

According to Gooding, the offenses of students parking in staff lots or students not parking in designated areas make up the bulk of the tickets.

"Local residents complain about students parked in front of their houses for extended periods of time, and juniors and seniors call about freshmen and sophomores parking in their areas," Gooding added.

Senior JoAnna Berry said "I never really had a bad problem with parking, except when I borrowed a faculty parking spot for ten minutes to go ask a sophomore to move out of a senior spot and then got a ticket."

Gooding said that the majority of tickets set a fine of \$10, and that the ticket revenue probably does not revert to the Police Department. Conrad Warlick, vice president for Administrative Services, pointed out that ticket revenue goes into the College's general fund. "Like library fees, it is not allocated for any particular purpose," Warlick said.

Junior Laura Norfolk accounts for at least six of last year's tickets. "Freshman year we were allowed to park on College Avenue, so when I came back,

I parked there," Norfolk said. "When I looked at the end of the week, the police had stacked tickets one on top of another. There were six in all."

Towing is another result of the parking problems, Ankney said.

"During the first part of this semester, we towed about 70 cars; sometimes three or four a day," Ankney said. "It certainly has corrected the problem, although some people had to get towed a couple of times."

Ankney added that the current policy on towing is to call the driver of a vehicle before towing it. "Because it's an inconvenience for all of us, I like the idea of giving them a few minutes to come out," Ankney said.

Since some faculty members complained, the police had been towing cars without phoning the owners. But, Ankney said, "after about three weeks of towing everyone, including faculty, without phoning, we went back to calling the students, since the faculty complained about that too," said Ankney.

According to Ankney, the College had planned to build a 190-space parking lot on Sunken Road to reduce

Faculty Rejects Self-Scheduling

By Lisa Clark
Bulletin Staff Writer

The Mary Washington College faculty has overwhelmingly rejected a proposal to change the current fixed-schedule exam policy.

The proposal by the Committee on Academic Affairs would have given faculty members who teach multiple sections of a course the option of allowing students to take their final exams at any of the scheduled times.

Currently, students may take exams only during their specifically-scheduled exam times, and cannot self-schedule any exams except under special circumstances such as three exams in one day or two exams occurring at the same time.

During a March 6 faculty meeting several faculty members, including psychology Professor J. Christopher Bill, spoke against the proposal.

"It would make it difficult for faculty member X to say 'no' while faculty

member Y says 'yes,'" he emphasized. "It should be decided for all and not be an option."

Others, like English Professor Susan Hanna, disliked the proposal's reference to self-scheduling.

"We voted not to have self-scheduled exams," she said. "It's going to put a lot of pressure on professors to let students out of Saturday exams."

Russian Professor Joseph Bozicevic questioned the type of exam that would have to be used.

"Does this imply that an instructor gives the same exam in all sections?" he said.

According to Academic Affairs Chairperson Claudine Ferrell, the proposal change came about last semester, when some faculty members indicated a desire to allow students to reschedule exams or pick different exam times.

"This prompted a reminder from Dean Philip Hall that the faculty had voted on a policy against self-sched-

uling," said Ferrell, also a professor of history. "The faculty then returned to the fixed schedule only."

"The proposal was sympathetic to having the element of flexibility," she continued. "It would have taken care of hassles and eliminated the burden of students going to the dean with problems."

"It's theoretically possible that no faculty would want to do it," she said.

Committee member R. Leigh Frackelton supported the proposal. "I thought it would give flexibility to professors who had multiple sections and want to allow students to take their exams at any of the times offered for the section," he said. "It's not a requirement, but an option for faculty."

Despite the proposal's rejection, Ferrell was pleased with the faculty's handling of the issue.

"It was a nice debate because it was focused on the proposal only and not the self-scheduling issue," she said.

News Briefs

Mayfield to Speak on Autism

Gail Mayfield, director of the Virginia Autism Resource Center in Winchester, Va., will deliver two talks at Mary Washington College on the topic of autism on Thursday, April 18. Both programs are free and open to the public.

Mayfield, who also serves as senior program director at Grafton School in Berryville, Va., will speak on "Teaching Language to Handicapped Children" at 9:30 a.m. and on "An Overview of Autism" at 7 p.m. Both presentations will be held in Chandler 102.

The programs are sponsored by the Department of Psychology and the Association for Retarded Citizens - Rappahannock.

Multicultural Center Expresses Appreciation

Thanks to the following offices and clubs for making the Multicultural/International Festival possible: Global Observation Committee, International Programs Department, Black Student Association, BOND, Hispanic Student Association, Women of Color, Asian Student Association, Hillel, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Multicultural Center, Honor Council, Student Activities Office, International Student Association, Student Association Entertainment Committee, Physical Plant, Printing Services, Campus Police, Community Outreach and Resources (COAR), Association of Resident Halls, and the Multicultural/International Festival Planning Committee.

Show Choir to Perform April 22

The Mary Washington College Show Choir will perform on Monday, April 22 and Saturday, April 27 in Dodd Auditorium and will focus selections from Broadway and Hollywood.

The show choir, which was formed in 1982, combines singing with dancing and a little acting. The participants this year are Seniors Tevin Chaney, Barbara Craig (who is also the group's choreographer), Andrea dePaul, and Russ Painter, Sophomore Kristin Erickson, and Freshman John Daniel. Dr. Steve Burton directs the group.

MWC Symphony to Present Concert

The Mary Washington College Community Symphony Orchestra will present the final concert of the 1990-91 season on Friday, April 19. The concert will be presented at 8:15 p.m. in George Washington Hall, Dodd Auditorium. The program is free and open to the public.

Selections to be performed are from the standard orchestral repertoire. They include von Suppe's "Light Cavalry Overture," form his opera of the same name; "To a Little Star," for soprano and orchestra by Mussorgsky; von Weber's "Clarinet Concertino" and movements II and III from the "Piano Concerto Number Three," by Kabalevsky. The finale, "That's Entertainment," is a potpourri of Hollywood favorites from the 1930's.

The 80-piece orchestra is composed of almost equal numbers of college student musicians and community musicians. There is reserved seating for members of "Friends of the Orchestra" at the concert.

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clation. "It's time people stopped comparing blacks to everything. Find another foundation!"

Scarborough said that she does not know of any black students who did not find the flyer offensive. Martel said, however, that she talked to several ethnically-diverse students about the flyer and they agreed that it was effective, not offensive.

The flyer not only expressed disapproval of Junior Ring Week practical jokes, but it also informed the College that the week of April 7 was Gay Awareness Week.

Later during the week, another flyer which tried to answer flyers the GBI SA had put out about what Jesus said about homosexuality, was taken off by Beck. Because of the content of these to advertisements, Beck issued a flyer stating that any flyer that is placed on Seacobeck tables needs to have a Student Activities stamp of authorization.

According to homosexual students, it was a week of extremes: some harassment and much fan-

tastic support. Every Gay Awareness event drew a crowd of 40 or more individuals.

On Sunday, April 7, 40 people attended a program offering readings from gay and lesbian literature. "Some guys in the very last row came and harassed us verbally," said Martel. "Most of us were shocked at them for doing that."

Monday's event drew a slightly larger crowd of 50. The president of the Washington Metropolitan and the Richmond divisions of Parents and Friends of Lesbian and Gays discussed personal experiences. Also, the parents of homosexual junior Russell Cate discussed their situation. But while the meeting was going on in Trinkle, gay-bashers defaced posters with "All Homos Are Wrong, Bad, and They Must Die."

Tuesday night Craig Dean discussed his efforts to obtain a marriage license in Washington D.C. More than 60 individuals attended.

The rest of the week consisted of a Homophobia Workshop on Wednesday, which was also "Wear Jeans If You Support Gay Rights Day." On Thursday, a film documentary on "The Holocaust and the Homosexual" was

presented. After the film, Martel reminded the audience to attend the dance scheduled for Friday night. "You don't have to be gay to attend!" shouted Martel.

The entire week cost the organization \$700. All of the events were done through volunteers except for the homosexual couple and the film, which the club co-sponsored with the philosophy department.

Because of all the publicity and talk around campus, Dean Beck said that she believes that positive dialogue has started on both sides. "The way you make change is by listening and learning about how others feel about things," said Beck.

"The club has gotten a lot of momentum now," said Will Crawford, sophomore and next year's club representative to the Inter-Club Association. "We're here and we are still trying to gain acceptance."

"I just want the school to look at this positively and not as a threat," said Martel. "I'm not asking people to be gay. I just want things to be a little easier for me and my community."

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The debate team went to Texas to represent MWC in a national tournament.

Debate Team Competes in National Tournament

By Kim Quillen
Bulletin Features Editor

For the first time in the College's history, the debate team has had the opportunity to represent Mary Washington nationally. From April 4-8, two debaters and debate adviser John Morello attended the National Debate Tournament held at Trinity College in San Antonio, Texas.

Jeanne Edwards and John Thomas qualified for the tournament by debating competitively in their district. "We finished fourth in the district, which was high enough to advance to nationals," said Morello. Mary Washington was one of six teams chosen from the district's qualifier, where teams from Liberty, Georgetown, James Madison University and other colleges competed.

"This is the second time that [Mary Washington] has competed in the district qualifier," said Morello. Morello and the debaters were pleased with their showing in the competition. "We had three wins and five losses," explained Thomas.

"I was elated with the record," said Morello, who added that the first time a team participates in a national conference is always difficult. "We travel on a regional tournament schedule," said Morello. He attributes the regional nature of the schedule to the team's youth. However, most of the teams at the national tournament have debated on the national circuit, where the best teams in the nation debate each other. The MWC team attended one national circuit debate this year.

"We're real unknown," said Morello. "That hurts us from a preparation standpoint." Thomas also noted a difference between debating regionally and nationally. While the team debated schools of varying sizes regionally, "at nationals, most of the schools are bigger than us."

Although Morello was expecting a trip to nationals during the 1991-92 season, this year's placement was a surprise. "I was hoping they would do well [in the district qualifier]," said Morello. "But it was a surprise that they qualified." Though Edwards and Thomas were relatively inexperienced

compared to debaters from competing colleges, Morello attributed their placement to the progress they have made this year.

Edwards had minimal debate experience in high school and joined the MWC team last year as a sophomore. This is her first year as a varsity debater, which requires at least one year of debating experience.

Edwards spends an estimated 10 to 15 hours per week researching for debates. "You get a national topic that expands or contracts over the year," explained Edwards. "The research gets bigger and the argument gets more specific and in-depth." This year's topic was whether or not the U.S. should substantially change its trade policy toward China, Korea, Hong Kong, Taiwan, and Japan.

Thomas is currently in his third year of debating and is one of the team's most experienced members. He began debating as a college sophomore. A student of political science, Thomas notes that the research he has done for the debate team has helped him with courses in his major.

"Most debaters are political scientists or history majors, so we're all on equal footing," says Thomas.

"I'm definitely the oddball," says Edwards, who is majoring in business and accounting. She adds, however, that though many debaters tend to be law school-bound, "our school has the greatest diversity of majors." Edwards attributes this to Mary Washington's liberal arts emphasis. Though many debaters major in philosophy, political science, international affairs, and history, Edwards states that students of all academic interests have done well in debate. "You have to be willing to develop ideas and do a lot of work," said Edwards. "It requires motivation and a desire to think."

Next year, Morello hopes that the team will be able to move up in its levels of competition. "Hopefully, more debaters will be able to try their hand at the national circuit," says Morello. By gaining experience on the national circuit, Morello feels that the debaters will be better prepared for the national tournament, which will be an obvious goal for next year's team.

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at the U.S. post office of Optical Character Readers (OCR's). This device reads zip codes through a scanner and sorts the mail by computers. OCR's are one of the many devices helping the post office to become more automated. According to Warlick, this seemed to be an ideal time for the College to capitalize on that automation.

But the College will not take advantage of the changes immediately. The change from large to standard boxes will cost approximately \$3,000, according to Warlick. The costs will be paid for by the money saved from not mailing off-campus residents information. MWC pays approximately \$348 per mailing to mail information to the 1,200 commuters. "It would only take ten mailings to pay for the boxes," said Warlick.

The College began the current system four years ago when the Campus Center opened. Before the Center was built, MWC students used boxes at College Station, a U.S. post office on College Avenue. Students were given random box assignments and

Students Evicted from Local Residence

By Jennifer Dory
Bulletin Staff Writer

Six Mary Washington College students are suing their landlord for serving them with what they say is an unwarranted eviction notice. According to the eviction notice, the six men must leave the premise because of a city ordinance which bans more than three unrelated people from setting up a household together.

The students, who live at 1403 Charles Street, rent from Otis and Rebecca Light. The Lights own several properties around Fredericksburg, many of which they rent to college students.

"They [the Lights] knew perfectly well that six of us were planning to live here," said junior Paul Greene, one house resident. "After all, all our names are on the lease."

The Lights declined to comment on the situation.

The students' lawyer, William Botts, says that the students' main objective was to have a place to live for the year. The students have been able to remain in the house while the lease is under contest. Botts got the case moved from the general court, where a hearing would have been held right away, to the circuit court, where, due to a heavy case load, a hearing would not be able to be held until summer at the earliest. This enables the students to stay in the house for the remainder of the school year.

The case was moved because it raises questions about whether there is selective enforcement of city ordinances going on against college students in general, and specifically against males, Botts said.

The ordinance bans groups of more than three unrelated people from setting up a single household together. Robert Harris, a member of the Fredericksburg zoning board, pointed out that the ordinance says nothing specifically about gender.

According to Harris, his office takes action when they hear about violations of the ordinance.

"Usually we hear about it because of neighbors' complaints," he said, "and it may be the case that males are usually louder so they are reported more often."

Tom Savage, the Lights' lawyer, said that the Lights were not aware of the ordinance about more than three people living together when they rented the house out.

The ordinance was passed by City Council in 1984, according to Harris. "The Lights don't agree with the ordinance, but they must abide by the law," said Savage.

Originally, a hearing date had been set for late April, according to resident Larry Havey. But because the lease will run out early this summer, both lawyers said that the case will probably be dismissed before it actually gets to court.

When the students were originally served the eviction notice last September, the Lights were under pressure from the city of Fredericksburg to do something about their houses on the 1400 block of Charles Street and the adjoining block on Pitt Street because the police had been called several times to break up parties, according to Havey.

After the eviction notice was served, the students said they could not get in touch with the Lights, who were not answering or returning their phone calls. All communication from that point on was through the Lights' lawyer, Havey said.

According to Havey, Otis Light first offered to rent them two neighboring townhouses, claiming that he wanted to sell the 1403 Charles property. State law requires all current lease agreements to be honored in the event of the sale of the property.

The Lights rent to several different groups of Mary Washington College students in the area, and other houses not in accordance with city ordinance "have been or are being taken care of," according to Tom Savage.

Residents of the house are juniors Brendan Casey, Paul Greene, Keith Hall, Larry Havey, Bob Lunger, and Eric Mink.

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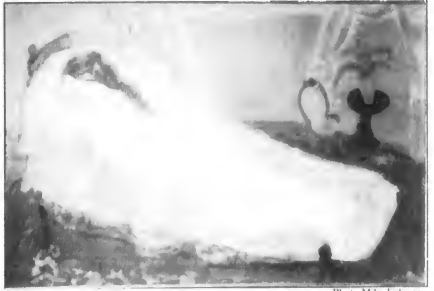
The class has identified the location of 45 pieces so far. "Six or seven were found that we thought were completely lost," said Arnold. "They hadn't been seen since 1966. The rest were found exactly where they were supposed to be or somewhere nearby."

"We each took what we knew was in the collection and divided it up among us, then we just went out and looked. It was like finding a buried treasure, said Kate Gordon, a junior.

Senior Mike Antonio has found three pieces so far in his search. Last week he presented the class with his latest find -- an oil painting entitled *NUDE* by Nicholas Vassiloff. The painting was a purchase award in 1963.

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MIKE SMITH'S MARY WASHINGTON COLLEGE

Survival Tips Given to Underclassmen

Smith Says Be Excellent to Each Other and Party On Dudes

MIKE SMITH



Okay, I would be remiss in my duty as an editorial columnist if I did not use my last opportunity talking to you to offer some parting tidbits of advice. Sort of like Mike's Top Ten Tips for Survival at MWC. Here we go.

- 1) If you swim in the fountain...avoid the spikes! In the immortal words of Vice President of Business and Finance Dick Miller: "It's all fun and games until someone gets impaled!"
- 2) Guys, when visiting a girl's room, always leave the toilet seat down!!! A girl once decked me for this very transgression, laying mouth full-length upon the ground and moistening the floor with my blood! Watch yourselves!
- 3) Appreciate your home here in Fred-Vegas. History saturates the place (Canon used to sit where Mercer does now), and the people here really are wonderful. (I bet you anything we'll someday miss those "Fredlocks" who amuse us so much by hosing down their trucks at the Coin-Wash.)
- 4) Beer makes you fat. It's expensive too. The lesson: Never spill it or puke it! And learn your limit on cheap beer.
- 5) Keep a sense of humor. People are funniest when they take themselves too seriously. Anyway, who the hell

needs ulcers? The last thing I need is bloody bowels!
 6) Drive slow. Deer walk on the road too.
 7) Never pick a fight with someone who buys their ink by the barrel. (This one's for you, Lenny!)
 8) Keep an open mind. Racism and homophobia suck, and Arabs aren't "Towel Heads." Don't scoff at differences. Appreciate them! It takes a lot more character to accept and understand others than it does to deride them. Anyway, it keeps life interesting! You can be open or you can be ignorant. It's your choice!
 9) Don't get in cars with strangers.

10) Finally, always remember the immortal words of Abraham Lincoln: "Be excellent to one another...and...party on dudes!!!"
 If there is a benevolent God steering the intentions of my professors, these will be the last weeks of my tenure here at MWC. As such, I've been feeling quite reflective lately. So, yes, it's time to get drippy (if you don't like it, don't read it). I have loved the time that I have spent here. Okay, here's where we get really weird: I love each and every one of you at this school. Let me explain. If I've hated you, or if I've been friends with you for years, or even if I've never known you, you've made this school what it is and you've made my experience here what it was: wonderful.

This place gets its vitality, its life and breath, from each of you. Your pains and victories, your stresses and relief, your studies and your gossip--those are what give this school its life and

makes it different from any other. I have never had a happier time in my life than these last four years, and each of you have affected that; directly or indirectly, for good or for bad. I thank you and I love you all. I will miss you (and this school) deeply. I've never awaited and dreaded an event as much in my life as my college graduation. Four years is nearly a fifth of my life--and quite a fifth it's been!

At least I have a job. It's true; Next year, as you underclassmen pursue your academic endeavors, I will be hard at work (never let your parents tell you you can't do anything with a Bachelor of Arts degree from a liberal arts institution). So what am I doing with my political science major? I'll be moving to Billings, Montana to work at a small factory which specializes in the pressing of cakes of urinal soap. Who said Mary Washington graduates had trouble getting jobs? By God, every time you answer nature's call, you'll be thinking of me! Consequently, your dear alma mater will be forever on your mind. Long live Mary Washington and her cleansing memory! (Your porcelain's never been whiter!) Have a good life. My friend, I will remember you forever.

P.S. Come dunk me in the "Plunk-a-President" dunk tank at Devil Goat Day on Friday. President Anderson will be with the BOV that weekend, so I'll be the stand-in. There's no way you'll hit me. Don't even bother. Disabuse yourself of the notion! I won't happen.

See you Friday.
 P.P.S. Good luck on exams!

Our Side ...

"Homosexuals Are Worthless."
 "Homosexuals Are Wrong, Bad and They Must Die."

"Homosexuals are a waste of a good orgasm. Aren't your parents proud?"
 Ironically, anti-homosexual messages like these, which appeared on signs and sweatshirts last week, were highly visible during Gay Awareness Week.

Designed to unite and foster better relations between homosexuals and heterosexuals, Gay Awareness Week, in some ways, has further polarized the campus. Sure, many people who went to the programs came away with a new understanding of the homosexual experience. Others, however, chose to express their hatred. Gay-bashing was almost cool last week.

But what if people had posted signs during Black History Month declaring: "Go Back to Africa?" Or during Women's History Month: "Stay Barfoot and Pregnant?" Would the College have reacted so passively as it does towards similar attitudes towards homosexuals? We think not.

This is basically the message the GLBSA was trying to convey by putting flyers on Seacoast tables calling attention to the alleged discrimination and intolerance which took place during

Junior Ring Week. But Dean of Students Joanne Beck had the GLBSA flyers removed because the words "nigger," "spic," "hymie," "chink," and "jap" appeared at the top.

Oddly enough, Beck was quoted last week as saying "Everybody has a right to have posters up and express themselves," according to an article in *The Free Lance-Star*.

She has apparently decided, however, that flyers are not protected under her basic freedom of expression policy.

Moving right along, it's very unfortunate that most people don't understand how homosexuals think and feel. It's also sad that many base a lot of their thoughts upon common stereotypes and misconceptions about homosexuals.

But it's important to realize that homosexuals are people with feelings and needs like everyone else--people like you. The homophobic workshop, the gay marriage program and the other activities of Gay Awareness Week afforded students a good chance to learn something about homosexuals and how they feel. People who went may have a chance to better understand homosexuals as people.

Let's just say, we're for human rights. People should be treated equally, without regard to race, color, creed, gender or sexual orientation.

College Returns to Mediocrity and Complacency after Multi-Cultural Festival

TARI STAGE



"Differences enrich us all." This was the theme for the Multi-Cultural Fair, and I must say that was a success. Congratulations! But on Monday, this campus returned to "Mediocrity Numbs Us All." What happened between respecting differences and

wearing T-shirts that say "Homosexuals are worthless"? What happened to respect?

Even though respecting others isn't purely an Amnesty theme, it is involved in all human endeavors so it is important. To live in a community means that you have to respect all the people in the community (it's written on the walls in all the classrooms). So why don't we respect each other? Are we so afraid of breaking away from blissful ignorance?

By listening to others and experiencing a few new things some weekend (besides being in a drunken stupor), maybe some of you would be challenged. Holy Jeopardy, Batman! Yes,

you, too, could become a new person by working at the homeless shelter, going to the gay and lesbian dance, and writing letters for Amnesty (just had to throw that in there). I don't wish to present myself as the epitome of the open-minded individual, but I'm trying. Open-mindedness does not mean just accepting everything blindly; it is a decision to explore things beyond middle-class "normalcy." All of us have room to do some experiencing.

Okay, I can't make anyone break away from mediocrity, but I can demand that as long as we live together as a community, we respect and honor each other's rights. Differences can enrich us all!

BERNIE O'DONNELL
 Commentary

Well, the war is over. As our boys continue to come home from the Persian Gulf, we should congratulate them for a job well done, and commend General "Stormin' Norman" Schwarzkopf on preparing and executing a brilliant military attack.

President Bush should be commended as well. Because of the huge success of Operation Desert Storm, he will undoubtedly be re-elected. The only interesting facet of the '92 campaign will be to see what Democratic meatball is nuts enough to run against Bush. Any candidate will get crushed. It'll be just like watching UNLV play Duke. ...oops, bad example. Anyway, the war is over and we can all confidently say, "Mission accomplished," right? Wrong.

The war is not over by any means because once again, the U.S. has pulled out prematurely. How can I possibly say that? Simple. Our goal when entering the Persian Gulf was to: 1) liberate Kuwait; 2) overthrow Saddam Hussein; and 3) try to bring some peace to an extremely hostile region. President Bush clearly stated that he felt that Saddam Hussein was a madman who had to be brought down from power.

After looking over the agenda, it seems that we accomplished only one of our goals, that of liberating Kuwait. Hussein is still very much in power in Iraq, and peace is nowhere in sight in the Middle East.

I woke up one Sunday morning and was greeted with this Washington Post front-page headline: "U.S. Troops Witness Iraqi Attack on Town in Horror, Frustration." It seems that our buddy Hussein is not surrendering at all, but instead attempting to stamp out revolution in his own country by slaughtering innocent women and children. And all of this occurred while U.S. soldiers helplessly watched. Army Lt. Thomas Isom was quoted in the *Post* as saying, "We have shown more discipline these last four days than in the whole war. If they asked for volunteers, there is not a man here who

would not go north to finish the job."

Now I have to ask: Why *didn't* we finish the job? Why did Bush pull our troops out when he knew that Hussein had not been apprehended? By not taking care of Hussein, we have now given him the opportunity to rebuild his army and to regain control of his country. If left alone for a few years, Hussein will most likely become powerful enough once again to try another aggressive move. Perhaps he will go after Iran again and hope that the U.S. will aid him as they did during the first Iran-Iraq war. Perhaps he will eventually have nuclear capabilities and pose a real threat to the Middle East and the rest of the world. The point is that leaving him beaten but not defeated will not solve anything; and may make matters much worse.

In short, I believe that we should have stayed in the Persian Gulf until we were sure that Saddam Hussein was no longer in power. No, I do not want to see more of our troops die because of this crazed lunatic. But I'm afraid that many more will die if and when Hussein risks back to power in Iraq.

By Mike Fuhrman

Your Voice...

Photos Mike Fuhrman

How many Gay Awareness Week programs did you attend and why?



LORI FITZGERALD '93

"I did not attend any of the activities because I had a ten-page paper due and because of room selection and registration."



JIM RUTH '94

"I attended the program about the gay marriage because I wanted to see why they were being oppressed by the government. I support the right of all humans to do as they please."



CEDRIC RUCKER

"I went to three. I went to be educated on the gay, lesbian, and bisexual experiences of students on this campus. My eyes have been opened to the daily challenges these students endure."



RODNEY FOSTER '92

"None. Because I'm not gay, it never interested me. I do support rights for gays. If I lived on campus, I might have gone out of curiosity."



KELLY WENDEL '92

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Egan Likens Himself to King George VI, Details Origin of Self-Proclaimed Royalty

MIKE EGAN



Greetings, once again. This is my last newspaper address to you as King, my friends and fellow citizens. I must graduate and move on. I'm in no rush. This is a good college and I shall miss it.

Why, many ask, did I do this thing in the first place? Some have asked curiously. Others have verged on hostility. I have had a time of it trying to answer fully, but shall try once more. The conditions were ripe. I am a senior in college, aged twenty-one. Here was fertile soil for a swell stunt. Add to this an interest in history, and in rulers. One ruler I have long admired is England's King George VI, the king who ascended to the throne after his

brother Edward VIII abdicated in gales of controversy. King George bore this unexpected and crushing burden with grace, leading his country through the horrors of the Blitz and the rest of World War II, never once abandoning it. He was always there with his people though exile would have been safe and simple. As for his brother, a role awaited him as governor of Bermuda, a job I am ready to take once I step down in May. Being King is a harder job than most people imagine, even in these times of constitutional monarchy (or, as with MWC, democratic monarchy). Of course I do not compare too well with George VI, but I have to admit his sense of duty. King George's job seemed a fascinating occupation. So, one afternoon, while entering Chandler, the thought "What if someone declared himself King of the school?" came to me. And I bounced this notion off some pals, who thought it keen. And I did it, and it was fun. Having been able to write a column in Mike Smith's stead last semester, and feeling nifty about it, I fear I suc-

cumbed to ambition. Mindful of how my distant forefather William had managed to pull off the England thing in 1066, I sought to do the same with my beloved College. Have I offended you, I apologize. Have I pleased you, good. I hope especially to have amused you or at least diverted you from something that was more harmful. If for the briefest moment you smirked or chuckled, or even scoffed and felt better about how up and you are, then I count my reign a golden success.

To business. I will appoint my successor now, and confer the title of Prince of Walesmoreland upon Craig Lovett. After this semester, the crown goes to him. There. And now to confer the Triumphant Cordon of the Order of the Shimmering Pediment upon Professor Stanton for Interpid Patience With Recalcitrant Registrars.

Now to finally conclude. Thank you all. It's been swell. I wish you all the best, and all that. Good luck and farewell.

H.M. Mike Egan

Hussein Should Cut White House Grass in Bermuda Shorts as Punishment for War

ART SPEYER
Commentary

Now that the war with Iraq is over, it is time to deal with that perennial post-war issue, reparations. The U.S. military won a smashing victory in the Middle East, and the spoils of victory should be enjoyed.

In the past, victorious countries have demanded financial payments from the losing side. In this case Iraq does not have enough money to send a pole vaulter to the next Olympics. Let alone pay us back the millions of dollars we spent beating them up in Desert Storm.

A more creative punishment is in order. Since America wasn't really fighting the Iraqi people, but Saddam Hussein, something directed toward him personally seems more appropriate.

For months President George Bush and all of America have had to put up with daily verbal abuse from that desert windbag. Hussein claimed his power-futarmy was going to send our Satanic forces to their imperialist graves. In the end, the girls from first-floor Virginia could probably have retaken Kuwait without much trouble.

After a discussion about Iraq's punishment with a few other poli-sci majors, it was decided that it should be personally directed to Saddam himself. How does making Saddam cut George Bush's grass at the White House strike you? We're not talking mowing either. One of those old-time push mowers used back in the 1930s is what we had in mind.

I can see it now... George sitting on the White House porch yelling, "Hey Saddam, you missed a spot." And Ray

it up when you're done!" Talk about total victory. Picture it: Saddam out there in an old pair of Bermuda shorts, cutting the lawn while thousands of tourists from Iowa and Montana take incredible numbers of snapshots. It would be just the kind of incentive that Bush's "New World Order" needs to keep other dictators from trying to take over their neighbors.

Hey, maybe when Saddam is done he can be hired by Mary Washington. I believe the school has 256 people alone employed to cut grass, blow leaves, and plant bushes. I'm sure the school could find room for him. In fact, since his regime is now about as solid as the Orioles' starting rotation, Saddam could probably use the job training. Think about it.

Letters to the Editor

"Our Side" Infringes Upon Private Rights

To the Editor:

I write in response to that so-called editorial "Our Side..." in the March 25 edition of the *Bullet*.

For one thing, I took great offense to being called a "shallow, insecure loser who will never amount to anything." I am a fairly intelligent woman who occasionally chooses to do drugs when the mood strikes her. Only if you have never used a drug-alcohol included-will I even remotely consider listening to what you have to say to me. And even then, what I do is none of your business. I don't come up to you on Campus Walk, or in your room, and try to push drugs on you. You come to

me.

And despite what you think, this "despicable" habit is commonplace at this fine institution. Just because you are too blind to open eyes makes you no judge of what people do here. I am glad you will not allow drugs in your life; that is your prerogative. To do drugs is mine, so try to show me the same respect I give you.

You are right, though, on one point-and I stress the word one. People who use drugs here do keep to themselves. We don't try to force people to do drugs. If you want to, that is fine, and if not then that is your business.

One other thing. Did you pick on those guys at UVA because they used drugs or because they were rich? Get your priorities straight.

If you need to complain about something, how about people who smoke cigarettes? They not only endanger their lives, but the lives of those around them. But I am not writing to complain about that. All I want to say is that I do not care what you do, so please do not interfere with what I choose to do.

Andi Farris '93

Students Deserve, Need 24-Hour Study Area

To the Editor:

Since the reopening of Trinkle Hall in February, I've been responsible for ushering out many students who believed it was a 24-hour study hall.

The Campus Police, for whom I work, had no choice but to require that Trinkle close at the same time as the other academic buildings: The administration has yet to give the police any other indication. For weeks, I told the students in Trinkle that the administration must inform the Campus Police before anything could change. Well, the administration did finally inform the police on March 26, and, to the chagrin

of the many late-night students, reversed its prior decision to create a 24-hour study center in Trinkle.

Of course, students enjoy having new classrooms and new wooden furniture, but having an all-night study center is even more appealing, and deserved. The administration has promised this college a study center for two years; now is the time to act on that promise. The one problem the administration faces in creating this center is that it will be very costly. All-night security guards, or special keys for students, aren't obtained cheaply. But neither is

a college education, especially with a 15-percent tuition increase.

Let the administration use the money it will acquire from both the tuition increase and the full-year on-campus housing contracts to pay for a solution. Not all students have time to study during the day; they need this center. And if the administration claims that students can study without interruption in their own dorms, it is sadly mistaken.

John Daniel '94

Commuters Wait for Unfulfilled Promises

To the Editor:

Where is the Commuting Students Lounge? We full-time, commuting, tax-and-comprehensive-fee-paying students have seen no return on our investments. If one pays for services in the private sector, and those services are not rendered, one expects a refund. We are not asking for a refund; we merely we ask that the services we paid for be rendered.

Again, where is the Commuting Students Lounge? The Tan Room, named the "Commuter Lounge," is in reality a meeting room, and when anyone so desires, s/he may reserve this room for meeting purposes and force any commuters to leave. There is no place on campus where commuters can congregate independently.

No one approaches a residence hall and states, "Please leave; our club (or organization) needs this area for a meeting for a couple of hours-get out-of-here, and we're sorry for the inconvenience." But commuting students deal with this every week. Room and board are the only differences in payment to the College and all we commuters wait is a place to get together without fear of being ejected.

In previous years, there existed a whole room designated for commuters' needs, not just a meeting room allotted to commuters when not otherwise occupied. This room had a microwave, stereo, etc.-things we would be willing to provide on our own. Commuters' needs are so overlooked that

we cannot even get a room of our own to use. We also have not received the kitchenette we were promised, which was in itself an attempt to appease our desires of a place of our own. Budget cuts-hogwash!

We commuters pay a comprehensive fee, just like everyone else, and we want what we've already paid for.

They say there exists no room, and yet, over the past three years, we have watched them stack cinderblocks together to make room for things they deem more important. If nothing else, just point us in the right direction, and we will find our own place.

Tracy Mabbitt '91
David J. Whitaker '92

Bullet Sports Coverage Displeases Women's Rugby

To the Editor,

I am writing to express some concern over the women's rugby coverage done in your newspaper. Twice, scores from women's rugby games have been left in the sports box on the *Bullet* door. Your staff requested that these scores be placed in the appropriate slot, and twice they have not appeared in the paper. Honestly, I understand the time limit is placed upon the *Bullet* staff, and

thus I made the effort to bring the scores to your door. It is truly pathetic that even though the women's rugby team is leaving this weekend to represent our state, not to mention our college, in the Territorial Tournament, we still cannot manage to get our scores in the newspaper.

Gabrielle (Gabby) Subback '92

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"Gay Awareness Week" Aims for Understanding, Gets Intolerance

Students Wonder Why Gay Awareness Week is "Shoved Down our Throats"

Week Strives for Better Understanding Between Homosexuals and Heterosexuals

To the Editor,

I hope that GLBSA realizes what a dismal failure "Wear Jeans if You Support Gay Rights Day" was. I noticed few students wearing jeans. I wore shorts and a t-shirt. There are some who after reading this letter will use that silly psychology theory that says since I have a problem with homosexuals, I am or have a fear of being gay. I am not and do not.

It is my hope that MWC is never forced to undergo another "Gay Awareness Week." This campus does not have a problem with homophobia and gay-bashing; most people tolerate homosexuality as long as they, themselves, are not affected by it. This is, after all, expected of a college that is so tolerant of all racial and cultural beliefs, unless they infringe on the beliefs of others. So why do we have "Gay Awareness Week" shoved down our throats like a parent does to a stubborn child who will not eat his/her dinner? I heard many people expressing their resentment of "Gay Week." One offended female on campus walk said, "Why can't we have Heterosexual Week?" Why not? It seems, on this campus, that any form of minority

group cannot be subjected to criticism of anybody, namely the majority.

I, as well as many of my friends, was infuriated by "Jeans Day," because it infringed upon my rights. I have the right to wear anything I want, without my clothes making a statement about my beliefs. *Everybody* wears jeans. Not everybody supports homosexuals. On "Jeans Day," non-supporters were forced to not wear something they might normally have worn, for fear of making an unwilling statement. Had April 10 been a chilly day, I would have had to spend the day cold, rather than sacrifice my principles. Someone suggested to me that "Jeans Day" was not so much an attempt to support homosexuality as it was one to make us question our beliefs as we dressed. Maybe. But the people I know who wore shorts had decided on Monday that they would wear shorts on Wednesday.

Here are facts. 1) In the Old Testament homosexuality is outlawed by God and punished by death. 2) In Virginia and many other states, anal and oral intercourse are illegal. It's not fair to go around arresting homosexuals, be-

cause heterosexuals engage in those acts also, but there is a point to be taken: Homosexual intercourse is technically illegal. 3) The biological purpose of life is to continue the survival of the species through reproduction. A homosexual population would not be able to reproduce, and would become extinct. Now they want to adopt children. Didn't they choose *against* procreation?

I am not trying to harass homosexuals here. I understand that homosexuals are people also. I am not calling homosexuals derogatory words, and am not looking for homosexuals to beat up. Just as the gays have rights to state their opinions, so do I. I think homosexuality is legally, morally, and biologically wrong. I don't see the reason for homosexuality. These people can do whatever they like, and I cannot stop them, but they do so without approval. Always remember, homosexuals, you would not exist were it not for heterosexuals.

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Commentary

In recent months, we have all seen some interesting events taking place at Mary Washington. For example, throughout Operation Desert Storm, students seemed divided about what their patriotic duties were; not knowing whether they should support the war or protest against it. With few exceptions, everything went smoothly, everyone had the opportunity to express their feelings and to do so knowing that at most an argument could come from people opposed to their beliefs. The lack of tolerance and respect for others' beliefs was somewhat disappointing during that time.

In the three years I have been here, nothing seems to have really pitted students against each other like the war did. Unfortunately, it has taken less than a month and a half since that time for me to see ignorance and cruelty on this campus reach far beyond anything I saw during the war. What I am referring to is the response to the Gay, Lesbian, and Bisexual Student Alliance week of programs trying to educate and create an understanding about a lifestyle that most of us do not understand.

At first, when I saw the calendar of events they had planned for last week, I thought it looked interesting, but I wasn't sure it was worth making time to go. Boy was I wrong! I was sick of studying anyway, so I went to the talk on Tuesday about gay marriage. Along with at least 200 other people, I listened to a man who was talking about the problems he and his boyfriend were having trying to get a marriage license in Washington D. C. He was discussing the legal processes, and how it only served heterosexual couples.

All he was asking for was equal treatment under the law. He mentioned the legal rights that only married couples have, and how it is truly unjust to deny that legal recognition to two people who love each other and who are ready for a lifetime commitment. Throughout his talk and the question and answer period, I reaffirmed my beliefs that homosexuals put up with more than anyone living in this country should have to.

At the end of the talk they announced that Wednesday was "Wear Jeans if you support gay rights" day. Quite frankly I did not think it was going to be any big deal. It was supposed to be cooler than the previous few days, so I figured a large percentage of the campus would be wearing jeans anyway. When I woke up Wednesday, I

stepped outside in my robe to see how mild it was. It had turned out to be a nice day, perfect for either jeans or shorts; but remembering what the GLBSA was doing, I decided to wear jeans, which I assumed most people would do. Boy was I wrong, again! To my surprise, almost nobody wore jeans that day. Unfortunately, it wasn't due to the nice weather. I received many looks from people, and for the first time on this campus I felt very self-conscious about what people thought. Quite frankly, it pissed me off!

I decided to go to the program they had on homophobia in Trinkle. First, I was surprised at the number of people there who were willing to be on the panel of gay and lesbian students. Second, after hearing what they had to say, I was very angered at all the crap these people had to constantly put up with no matter where they went. For example, that day there were a few idiots wearing sweatshirts that said things like, "Homosexuals are worthless. Homosexuals are communists!" You want to talk about worthless, how about someone so ignorant as to wear a shirt like that at an institute of higher learning (which should also be an institute of openmindedness)?

I am not so naive to be unaware of the harassment that homosexuals go through in our society. The discussion, however, dealt with being homosexual on this campus. I would like to think that educated people would treat their fellow students with some sort of respect and understanding. Apparently this has not been the case at MWC.

The threats, verbal abuse, and mistreatment that homosexuals have to face in society is ridiculous, the fact that they have to face them on this campus is inexcusable! With the courage it takes for someone to admit they are homosexual, the least they should be able to count on is understanding among their educated classmates.

With much guilt, I myself feel as though I have fallen short of full support. At the end of the Wednesday meeting they handed out buttons with pink triangles in remembrance of homosexual victims of the holocaust and the struggle they are still going through today. They asked us to wear it and to discuss what it meant to anyone who asked. I walked out of the room with the button in my hand, I then put it in my pocket. To be honest, I was worried about being labeled a homosexual. We have made it such a negative thing in this country, it is a constant fear of everyone to be labeled as one. This attitude has to end.

Unlike the war, this issue is not going to go away. We are talking about a

significant number of people who live a lifestyle they feel they were meant to lead. If more people had gone to these programs (or were at least interested in finding out about the information they provided), it would be clear to them that these people have not chosen a belief, they have simply chosen to live according to their natural feelings. Why the hell would anyone choose to go through what they have to, unless they felt it was the only honest and natural thing they could do?

Why is there such a fear toward homosexuals? I wish I could answer that. They're not out trying to convert people, they're not intruding on anyone's rights, they just want to be given the same treatment as anyone else.

Some students questioned the comparison between this and the black civil rights movement. In one fact it is a perfect comparison in at least one way: this society has been through the pain and agony of denying minority groups full acceptance and justice; it seems as though we should have learned some lessons. Do we have to go through it all again?

The more I thought about it, the more I compared it to the civil rights movement, and I asked myself: what will I tell my kids some day, when they ask me what I did to help people get the justice and equality they deserved. Although my parents supported the blacks and other minorities during the civil rights movement, I must be honest and say I don't recall any stories about marching or writing letters for support. Hopefully, I can tell my kids that I took an extra step; I went out of my way, even if it was just a little bit, in order to help other people become accepted and treated equally. If this is accomplished by the time I have kids, it will be worth the criticism and comments I will have to endure for supporting basic human rights.

When we look back through history, most of us are critical about the mistreatment of various groups, and the people who just stood by and watched without taking action. Now we can appreciate how hard it is to go against the wrongful teaching society had ingrained in us. But there is a time when we have to decide to do what is right, regardless of what some people (include friends and family) might say. That time has come. You don't have to be loud and shout from rooftops, but if nothing else, try being understanding and accepting of other peoples' way of life. For those of you who need to be reminded: "Judge not lest ye be judged as well," and "Love thy neighbor as thyself."

Flyer Prompts Discussion, but Fails to Address Jesus' Attitude Toward Homosexuality

To the Editor,

I am writing in response to a particular flyer distributed on Seacobeck tables as a part of "Gay Awareness Week" entitled, "What Jesus said about homosexuality."

While the flyer, I'm sure, served its purpose by stimulating thought, promoting discussion, inciting anger, and a plethora of other response over the issue of Christianity and homosexuality, it lacks and failed to present a point of major importance—the truth.

Indeed Christ (and henceforth I will take the position that the Jesus spoken of in the flyer is the very Christ of Christianity, and thus God, for this certainly was the intended representation of the flyer. Who would care what Jesus said otherwise? never said the word "homosexual." This is the case according to the *Revised Standard and New International* versions of *The Bible* which I own. But it needs to be pointed out that the view that says, "Just because Jesus didn't say the exact word (to the best of our accounts) means it's ok," is very narrow, if not altogether blind to who Jesus the Christ really is.

In the Gospel account of Luke 10:12,

Jesus was well aware of the destruction that rained down on Sodom and Gomorrah as a result of homosexual activity. Jesus even used it as an example to emphasize the very nature of the destruction and to give an idea of just how much God, the Father, hated this kind of sin. Please note: if you are going to agree with D.S. Bailey's argument that Sodom was destroyed as a matter of a "...breach of hospitality etiquette without sexual overtones," consider the following (Field 488). Bailey fails to look at the double usage of the word "know" (yada) in Genesis 19:5 and "...the reason behind the substitutionary offer of Lot's daughters and the Levites concubine" (488). Additionally, Jesus did, however, speak of sexual immorality.

Returning to the established Christian's acknowledgement that Jesus is the Second Person of the Trinity, and thus God, raises another point. Since Jesus was with the Father in the beginning, and of the same substance, Jesus would have, and did make the decrees against homosexuality as one with the Father found in the accounts of Leviticus 18:22 and

20:13. Clearly homosexual acts, according to God, are sin and He hates them with a passion. Do not be deceived otherwise.

It is much, much more important, now to address the key note of this letter. Redemption. Jesus made reference to it, discussed it, and even promised it through Himself, to all who repent and turn to Him. The point here is that though Jesus hates the sin, He loves the sinner. So, whether someone is committing homosexual acts, stealing, living as an idolater, is sexually immoral (pre-marital heterosexual acts), a murderer, or committing any other kind of sin (who is to judge which sin is worse except Him) Jesus says, "Repent! The kingdom is at hand!" By doing so, we will receive new life—see if that isn't the case when you go to Jesus in prayer!

Jesus very explicitly says something about homosexuality, and every other kind of sin, to each and everyone of us on this campus. "Repent, turn to Me, and be saved!"

Matthew Misener '91

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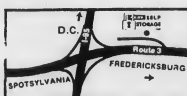
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FEATURES

Senior Exhibits Miniature Replica

By Lisa Rasmuson
Bullet Staff Writer

As soon as I saw "Steel Tits," a photo by Mary Washington College senior Mindy Culver offering a unique interpretation of a heating plant fixture, I knew I was in for something different.

But when I walked into the door of Gallery 2 in duPont Hall, all I saw were confused faces looking down into some sort of box display and then staring through the door into Gallery 1 across the hall.

I joined the group and saw that the box was a model of an art gallery. There were miniature paintings and photos on the walls and a variety of sculptures and statues throughout the room.

"What a cute idea," I thought, not quite sure of the point. Just then the girl standing next to me gasped in amazement. "This is the room across the hall!"

And it was.

Mindy Culver surprised everyone by constructing a miniature replica of her art display at the latest senior art exhibit held March 20-27 in the duPont Galleries of Mary Washington College.

"I wanted my art show to be something that people would remember years from now," said Culver, who said that few of the art shows she has seen in the past have made a very strong impression on her. She constructed a room out of wood in the same shape as the gallery in duPont and duplicated all of her works on a one inch equals one foot scale. She even had miniature photos of herself and her professors standing around the room.

Culver, whose specialty is photography, explained that her photos for the mini-gallery were developed directly from the negative without enlargement, and she used a xerox machine to reduce her prints down to the size she needed. Her sculptures are made out of Play-doh and her statues out of carefully cut cardboard.

Culver said the idea for the mini-gallery came from Art Professor Steve Griffin, who knew of her preoccupation with miniatures.

"I didn't think that she would take me seriously," said Griffin. "It was just one of those ideas that you toss around and it turned out nice."

Culver's art show also features a fully furnished three-story dollhouse which she adapted from a kit.

The dollhouse, which is decked out



"Steel Tits"



"My Picasso Self Portrait"

with many windows, mirrored walls, miniature artworks, and even a jacuzzi on a deck off the master bedroom, has been Culver's pet project since 1987. Eventually, she says she wants to design her own dollhouse completely from scratch with circular rooms, spiral staircases, and odd-shaped windows.

"A lot of people always go for the bigger scale, but why not go for the smaller," explained Culver. Despite her preoccupation with miniatures, photography is Culver's specialty, although she never had a formal lesson until last fall.

"I always had a camera, ever since I was about 12 years old," she said.

Like her mini-gallery, the subject of her photography portrays her unique personality and unusual approach to art. "I have this mechanical obsession, especially for metallic objects," explains Culver who frequently takes her camera and visits junkyards as well as the heating plant across from the college.

A black and white photo of a pile of hula hoops lying among the trash at some junkyard is one piece features in her exhibit. So is a photo of chain links wrapped around a steel beam.

"It was like some inner perversity, someone saying to me, 'That's not art, you can't take photographs of junkyards or industrial objects and call it art,' but I did it anyway," said Culver.

She said she is often laughed at by the junkyard and heating plant employees because she takes pictures of such strange things. "It's not unusual in the history of photography, Griffin said of her industrial obsession, 'but it is rare for a student at her level to become so involved with it.'"

"It's funny to see people's reactions," said Culver. "I have such a different way of looking at things and it's great when I can get it across to other people."

When Culver says she has a different way of looking at things, you can take that literally as well as philosophically. Her photo "Lost in the Mall" shows a downwards, sideways view of an empty escalator. Both "My Plug, no. 1" and "My Plug, no. 2" are etchings of a cord plugged into an upside down outlet. "My Picasso Self-Portrait" is a photo of herself reflected in a mirrored sculpture with a picture of another person transposed over top of it.

"I have always thought that Mary Washington needed some absurdity to offset its conservative attitude," explains Culver. "My mini-gallery, etched plugs, and industrial preoccupation are all reactions against the traditional attitude."

Culver has also included many balalaika sculptures in her exhibit. She is currently taking an independent study working with balalaika wood and says she likes working with the material because she can constantly change and add to what she is doing.

"I'm one of those people who is an additive person," explained Culver. "I see carving as subtractive."

Culver has priced her photos and prints from \$40-\$75 and her paintings at around \$300, but many other works are not for sale. Although she did not expect many sales from the showing she has gotten a few offers.

Why did she choose "Steel Tits" to place on flyers announcing her exhibit?

"Quite honestly," she admitted, "sex sells."

Iranian Teaches Eastern Religions

By Drew Gallagher
Bullet Staff Writer

Jan. 25 was the United States' deadline for Iraq to pull out of Kuwait. On that day, Mehdi Aminrazavi devoted an hour in each of his two religion classes to discuss the war in the Middle East. Aminrazavi, who is an Iranian, brought firsthand knowledge to his classes, a dimension that the Mary Washington Classics, Philosophy, and Religion department had previously lacked.

Mary Washington has a professor of Eastern religion who came highly recommended to Dr. David Cain of the CPR department.

"I found him by calling various Islamic scholars and I asked professor Nasr if he knew of someone, and he immediately recommended a former student for whom he had high regard," said Cain. "We were not disappointed."

Aminrazavi was an assistant to Dr. Seyyed Hossein Nasr, the college's Distinguished Visitor in Residence for 1990-1991, for eight years at Temple University and then at George Washington University. Aminrazavi met Nasr while he was working for his doctorate at Temple.

Aminrazavi came to the United States in 1975 to study at the University of Washington in Seattle, but he admits that it was a rough transition.

"He brings some much-needed diversity to the department," said junior religion/philosophy major John Gentry. "I was a bit disappointed in that we didn't have a professor that taught Eastern religion."

"The part that was difficult was getting used to a foreign culture, foreign language, and living in a different setting," he said. "And as if that wasn't bad enough, the Iranian revolution occurred on top of that and then there was the case of hostage-taking that left Americans with a bad impression."

He concedes that during the hostage crisis there were student protests at the University of Washington, and though most of the demonstrations were peaceful, some of the students did aim their barbs at him. During the recent Persian Gulf crisis, however, Aminrazavi did not receive any threats, but still the war was especially difficult for him.

Aminrazavi has been to Iraq and he says that the fact that a country the size of Iraq lost an estimated 100,000 people is "truly a tragedy." Especially, he feels, since the war may

have been avoided.

"I think there were other means by which the U.S. could've persuaded Saddam Hussein to get out of Kuwait," he said. "Namely a prolonged sanction. Iraq imports 70 percent of its food from the outside world and it could not have sustained or survived a prolonged type of embargo."

He is now concerned as to what position, if any, the United States will take in the post-war Middle East. He thinks that a Moslem coalition, minus the U.S., would be the best solution, but he can foresee Iran becoming the major force in the Middle East.

"Iran has the potential to be the dominating force in the region," he said. "And I think if the voices of moderation in Iran are able to achieve political hegemony, then having Iran as a dominating force in the region could be a stabilizing factor. However, if power falls into the hands of the more radical elements in Iran it will certainly be a destabilizing element."

Aminrazavi has returned to Iran twice since coming to the United States, but he only remained for four months because he thought that it would be more beneficial to further his education in the United States than remain in Iran. And though he has wanted to return, he has not been able to.

"But I would like to go back. Going back is essential for someone who is a student of that culture and that philosophy," Aminrazavi explained.

Since he has been at Mary Washington this semester, Aminrazavi has been approached by a few students who want to become majors in Eastern religion or philosophy. Previously, the CPR department had no real capacity to support such a major, but Aminrazavi thinks that it is necessary.

"Our world has been labeled by some as a 'Global Village,'" he said. "And the future generations cannot afford to remain isolated and ignorant of the life and thought of practically three-fourths of the people on the planet."

And his students have appreciated the



Aminrazavi brought Distinguished Visitor in Residence Professor Nasr to campus this semester.

exposure to Eastern religion. "He brings a whole distinct background to the class and to the department," said senior religion major Jennifer Knell. "It's neat to hear a different perspective on religious subjects. I wish I was going to be around next year to have him for Intro. to Hinduism."

Though Aminrazavi is listed in the fall 1991 track book as teaching three courses, including Intro. to Hinduism, his future at Mary Washington is still undecided. He would like to come back and the CPR department is eager to have him back, but there is one stumbling block.

"I would be delighted to become a permanent member of this college," he said. "I think the main problem is lack of money. With the budget crisis in Richmond and so on, I was told that the problem mainly lies in lack of budget."

Mary Washington has extended an invitation to Aminrazavi to teach three courses as an adjunct professor, but he is hoping for a permanent position that would enable him to stay in Alexandria, Va., and not uproot his wife and daughter. Cain is also hoping that the college can find some way to get Aminrazavi on staff.

"He adds a different dimension, and one that we have long wanted to add to the religion department, mainly expert study of non-western religious traditions," said Cain.

Aminrazavi has decided to accept the college's invitation to serve as an adjunct professor, so all that Dr. Mehdi Aminrazavi has brought to Mary Washington College will be here for a little longer.

Stage Manager Runs Dodd from Behind the Scenes

By Kate Bailey
Bullet Staff Writer

Though every student at Mary Washington College has seen what he does, not many have ever heard of John Lewis.

That goes with the territory. The soft-spoken 25-year-old has spent the past year working as Dodd Auditorium's "man behind the scenes."

"I keep a low profile," jokes Lewis, whose official title according to the State of Virginia is Theater Specialist, though he prefers to be called Dodd Stage Manager.

Regardless of his title, John Lewis does it all.

From big name performers like Little Feat and Wynton Marsalis to the popular dollar movies shown every week, Lewis is constantly in action, but he's quiet about it.

Technically, his duties include scheduling all performances for the theater, controlling the lighting and sound for such events, handling daily technical procedures and overseeing six student aides.

Consequently, he spends much of his time in the booth above the Dodd's balcony, controlling the computer-operated light and sound panel. Using the technical experience he gained from his three years as a television engineer in Northern Virginia, Lewis sometimes designs the lighting and sound for the shows on his own.

But whether he creates the effects or



John Lewis controls the lighting and sound for all Dodd showings.

uses a design created by the performer, Lewis claims that his job calls for much improvising.

"There's a little bit of an artistic feel with the board," said Lewis. "You have to ad-lib constantly, especially with sound. Dodd is not a theater where you have 3 weeks to rehearse."

Not surprisingly, he admits to experiencing some nervousness before every show. But according to student aide Michelle Collette, who also stressed the job's unpredictability, Lewis hides his anxiety well.

"He's a lot more cool about it than I am," she said. "He just takes things as they come."

Without a doubt, his favorite show see LEWIS, page 8

King Survives Crown Theft and Squashes Mutiny

By Kimberly Quillen
Bullet Features Editor

Student politicians across the nation are facing a new rival in campus elections: the Monarch Party. At the University of Maryland, whenever this party's candidate is elected student government president, the winner is named King or Queen and appoints Dukes and Earls to fill positions within the administration. Mike Egan finds the idea of a Monarch party interesting, but didn't hear of the system until after declaring himself King of the Mary Washington campus.

According to his roommate, Mike Smith, the whole idea of becoming King just came to Egan. "He just woke up one day and said, 'I think I should be King. Yes, I will be King.'"

Certain factors encouraged Egan's decision to become King, however, and according to Maura Imperato, Queen of the campus and close friend of Egan's, the frustration of red tape sparked his decision. Whenever Egan tried to accomplish something and he ran into bureaucracy or red tape he would say, "If I were King this wouldn't happen. I would just issue a decree," explained Imperato.

Egan officially decided to become King on Feb. 10, 1991, and the main announcement was made in a letter to the editor of the *Bullet* in the Feb. 26 issue.



King Mike Egan is often seen riding his tandem bike on campus.

The purpose of his kingship, explains Egan, is to break the monotony and tedium of a serious academic year. "If by being King I've amused people even once, I've succeeded," said Egan. Egan adds that his kingship has not been completely successful because some people have not seen the humor in his role. "I myself have gotten too serious about the role," said Egan.

Shortly after becoming king, Egan appointed Sergeants of Arms: Dietrich

Smith and Neil Wyatt. "They basically make sure that nothing much happens to me and help implement schemes to squash rebellions," said Egan.

One student, whom the King wishes to remain anonymous, disagreed with the benevolence of his rule. According to Smith, the student feels that Egan should antagonize the administration.

Sergeants of Arms Dietrich and Neil responded to the student's challenge by spraying him with a powerful water gun.

Egan, however, later felt bad about Dietrich and Neil's retaliation because, "It wasn't a benevolent thing to do. Now I feel akin to Ivan the Terrible." More recently, however, the King has come to an accord with the student.

Sergeant of Arms Neil Wyatt discussed an incident in which Egan received an anonymous phone call that asked him to meet someone outside of Pollard, the music building. Dietrich and Neil escorted the King to Pollard, but the mysterious caller never showed.

Other students, however, have seemed baffled by the idea of Egan's kingship. "Particularly in Seabrook, when I'm wearing the crown, people give me weird looks," said Egan.

Egan created his first crown out of a borrowed ski band. "I just taped yellow construction paper points around the inside," explained Egan. However, on Thursday, March 7, 1991, the afternoon before Spring Break, his crown was stolen.

"A gang of ruffians and desperados burst into my room and shot a fire-arm (a toy cap gun) at the ceiling. They ordered me to the ground, but being the King, I refused," explained Egan. Just as Egan was chasing the thugs away from his room, they grabbed the crown off of his head.

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Students, C.O.A.R. Respond to Needy

By Kate Bailey
Bullitt Staff Writer

Spring Break '91 at Mary Washington College found students all over campus packing shorts, suntan lotion and new bikinis in preparation for a week of sand and sun.

Ellen Nelson, however, was not among them. She was busy scraping up a power saw, hammer, and bib overalls for seven days in the Appalachian Mountains of Cheves, Ky.

"I didn't have enough money to go to Florida," said the senior math major with a laugh, "and I've always wanted to do something like this."

So on March 10, Nelson and 10 other MWC students and faculty piled into a van and traveled to the poverty-stricken town of Cheves as part of the Appalachia Service Project. Undaunted by rain, snow, and cold, the group replaced a leaky roof, built a new porch, and dug a drainage ditch.

Sponsored by the new MWC service organization Community Outreach and Resources (COAR), the trip to Appalachia was a first for the college, but well-received nonetheless.

"I got a huge response," said Kathleen Knight, COAR's faculty advisor. "We probably could have taken three or four times as many people as we took."

Begun in 1969, the Appalachia Service Project is a non-profit home repair/home building ministry affiliated with the United Methodist Church. It has centers in Jonesville, Va., Cheves, Ky., and a headquarters in Tennessee.

The purpose of the organization is to respond to housing needs in the economically disadvantaged area of Appalachia.

And the 11 MWC volunteers certainly did respond.

At 7 a.m. Monday, they abandoned their hospital beds in a renovated elementary school for a quick breakfast. By eight, they were on the road in separate vans, with half of the group going to repair a roof and the other half ready to build a porch.

At the sites, they unloaded their equipment and prepared to work. Not many of the volunteers had construction ex-

perience, and in the beginning the task ahead seemed ominous.

"It was very scary at first," said Nelson, "because they said 'Build a porch,' and we looked at them like 'Yeah, right.'"

But as they gathered their tools and began to mix cement for the porch foundation, they found that it wasn't so bad. And as the week progressed, the porch

neighboring town of Hazard.

"Lights out" was at 11:00 every night, when the volunteers retired to their rooms, each with a long sheet of black plastic separating the men's half from the women's.

And by the end of the week, when the projects were finished, the volunteers were as impressed as anyone else.

"We were just staring at the porch saying, 'Yeah, that's beautiful,'" said a student. "Even though it would have probably taken a real carpenter one day, we thought it was awesome."

For freshman Ekmeyer, the greatest part of the job was talking to the owners of the house the day after the roof was completed. Despite rain the night before, the volunteers were told by a very happy 60-year-old couple that the roof did not leak at all.

To go on the trip, each student paid an \$80 room and board fee, and each group made a \$350 donation to cover the cost of materials. Because MWC had two groups, they gave a total of \$700, paid in full by COAR with re-imbursements from area churches and a bake sale. They still have \$250 left to raise.

All of the volunteers met together for three nights of the week to discuss the project and the conditions around them. One concept difficult for many of the volunteers to grasp was that most of the families had satellite dishes, despite their extreme poverty. Others had microwaves and Nintendo games in houses heated by coal.

According to those working with the Appalachia project, the families splurge on the small things they can afford because such luxuries cost less than new plumbing systems and major roof repairs.

"It's hard to describe how different they live," said Chamulak. "It's a completely different world."

Back home at Mary Washington, the general consensus of the students was positive. Despite the long days, cold showers and hard work, most said they would do it again without hesitation.



Photo courtesy Courtney Quillen
Three MWC volunteers pause for a picture while tarring a roof in Ky.

began to come together.

Because of the high cost of plumbing and sewage facilities, most houses, including those repaired by the MWC students, had outhouses rather than indoor facilities.

"I'll bet on the first day the students were thinking, 'I can hold it until I get back,'" said Rucker, who added that as the week wore on, the primitive facilities became a fact of life.

And while the volunteers worked, they sang—everything from "New York, New York" to the Brady Bunch theme.

"We must have sounded pretty bad," said a smiling Nelson, "because the woman who lived in the house came out and asked if we wanted her to turn on MTV or something."

Work ended between 4 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. each day when the volunteers climbed back in the vans, tired and muddy, ready to hit the showers. Unfortunately, hopes for long, hot showers vanished after the first day when the women found that only cold water was abundant.

"We only had enough hot water for the first three showers," said Nelson. Because there were only about half as many men as women, the hot water was not a problem for the male members of the group.

After dinner, the group would either have meetings or spend free time in the

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was the Wynon Marsalis concert. "I got along great with the people who worked with him," he said, adding that the Marsalis crew later took him and his aides out to dinner.

This semester's Step Show, held on Dodd's Stage in March, used pyrotechnics (explosives) for the first time in the auditorium. Lewis considers this to be the most technically interesting show performed since he has worked in Dodd.

Last year Lewis was faced with controversy and anxiety in the theatre when Khalid Abdul Muhammad, spokesperson for the Nation of Islam, gave a speech sponsored by the Black Student Association. Because his speech was so controversial, Muhammad came to Lewis to request a smaller room out of fear for his life.

"I had to show the guards every nook and cranny in Dodd," Lewis explained.

The variety of people and programs which come through the auditorium is the best part about Lewis's job.

"So many cultural things pass through here," he said.

Frequently large bands such as Little Feat bring their own sound system and

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Afterwards, "There was a pretty heated attempt to find the crown," said Smith, who adds that rumors say the crown was either burned or hidden somewhere on the first floor of Willard Residence Hall.

Jeff Jakimstschuk was one of the three men who robbed Egan. "We were gonna make it kind of fun, but he didn't comply, so we just snatched the crown and ran," he explained. "We got our point across."

Ron Johnson, a conspirator not actually participating in the crown theft explained the reason behind the act. "We took the crown because as Americans we can't believe in monarchy. We tried to remove him of his kingship."

However, according to Smith, "I think it was a rather hairbrained and shallow attempt. You can take the crown but you

can't take the King."

According to Jakimstschuk, the crown is still somewhere on the first floor of Willard. "It wasn't even hidden. It's just in someone's room," he explained.

Over Spring Break, Queen Imperato got two crowns for herself and Egan at a Burger King in Florida. "Although I have an affinity for the first one, the new crown is better to wear and more stylish and modern," said Egan.

Egan's first act as King was to issue a decree banning the use of the phrase "perse." "I felt (perse) was grossly overused," said Egan, "but by banning it, I heard it more times than I had ever heard it in my previous life."

After observing the student performance "Custer," Egan knighted the cast.

"They knelt and I dubbed them (touched them three times with a dowel) for thespian excellence. The cast of Blue Leaves can expect the same," he said.

Though Egan has received little resistance from the college or Student Association President, there have been scattered incidents of rebellion against Egan's rule. According to Egan, John Mosby, a resident in Brent, the French house, is attempting a dictatorship.

Mosby states, however, that the idea of his dictatorship was just a joke. A papacy in Madison Residence Hall is also rumored. Egan cites both as unrecognized authorities and friendly rivals. Though Egan is graduating this spring he is considering appointing a successor.



C.O.A.R.

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- SHELTER HELPER—helps out with whatever is needed (i.e. office work, fundraisers)
- PHONE COUNSELOR—taking phone shifts in order to provide 24-hour phone coverage.

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ALL-U-CAN EAT

SPORTS

MATT GEARY

Well, spring is upon us once again and as in the past this means that there are a lot of things to keep sports fans happy. To me the most important thing that occurs in the spring is not the "love in the air" phenomenon, but rather BASEBALL--who really cares if people and animals become overly horny? You just can't overlook the beginning of baseball season.

I'm very excited about this season in particular because the New York Mets have finally gotten rid of overpaid and overrated Darryl Strawberry. The Mets aren't expected to win the N.L. East this season, so there isn't as much pressure on them as there has been in the past. But, look for the Mets to walk away with the division. Last year's Pirates were a fluke, the Cubs always choke, the Expos suck, the Phillies are a couple years away, and the Cardinals couldn't beat a good high school team. Why doesn't anyone else recognize this? Without Strawberry and his whining, the Mets have a real chance to win it all this season.

As for the N.L. West, does anybody really care? If anyone thinks that the Reds are going to repeat last season's World Series win, bet them. You are assured a win--the RedKarn as overrated as Strawberry. Speaking of Strawberry again, let's take a look at the poor team that picked him up. The Los Angeles Dodgers don't know it yet, but they're in for a long season. Darryl will probably hit .270 with 30 home runs and 100 RBI's, but by season's end he will have destroyed the morale and continuity of the entire team.

The Giants are by far the best offensive team in the division, but their pitching is not going to make it until October. Look for the Giants to fall apart late in August. As for the Padres, their new uniforms are an improvement, but you can only do so much with refried bean brown. Until these guys look good they aren't going to finish above fourth in the division. The same thing goes for the Astros. Not only do they have ugly uniforms, they traded Glenn Davis to the Orioles. He was their best player by far. The Astros will finish fifth or sixth depending on the hapless Braves. Here we have a team with some of the best young talent in the league, but they're still horrible. And they will remain horrible until their management stops trading young talent for 40 year-old former talents.

On to the A.L. East, formerly the best division in baseball. I think that this season will reaffirm their spot as baseball's premier division. Boston has the best starting pitcher in the American League in Roger Clemens, but one pitcher does not make a pitching staff. The Red Sox do have a strong offensive team, but without more pitching they'll probably finish second or third. Toronto, despite not being a very good team, will probably win the division because they have a strong enough pitching staff to last the whole season. The Yankees and the Orioles are about even talent-wise, but the O's need a couple more years. Kevin Maas will make the Yankees a contender. As for the rest of the league--namely Cleveland, Detroit and Milwaukee, not this year. Not next year. Not for a long

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Men's, Women's Tennis Look Toward Nationals

By Matt Geary
Bullet Sports Editor

The MWC women's tennis team, ranked fourth in the nation in Division III, won the NCAA South Regional Tournament this past weekend. The Eagles defeated Emory College 6-3 in the Tournament finals.

"The team showed a tremendous amount of guts and courage in the matches this weekend," said Coach Ed Hegmann. "We had an outstanding tournament."

In the victory over Emory, all three of the losses came in the third set. Four of the five MWC singles wins came in straight sets.

"With the tournament win, we are practically assured a berth in the National Championships," said Hegmann. "Hopefully we will be seeded as one of the top four seeds."

The Eagles got strong performances in the finals from the top three seeds on the team, Christy Copper, Laura Graham and Leslie Roland. Copper won her singles match and the doubles match along with Graham. Copper is now 15-8 on the season in singles matches and she and Graham are 10-5 in doubles matches.

Graham won in her singles match as well, to improve to 13-13 on the season. Roland, who is just a freshman, won



Photo courtesy Sports Information
Women's top seed Christy Copper

all three of her singles matches this past weekend and two of three doubles matches. She improved her singles record to 18-3 for the season.

"Leslie had an outstanding tournament," said Hegmann. "Everyone played very well in their matches."

By Matt Geary
Bullet Sports Editor

The Mary Washington College men's tennis team won two matches last week to improve to 9-3 on the season. The Eagles defeated Bridgewater 6-3 on Tuesday and Catholic 9-0 on Thursday. Matches scheduled against York and Goucher were canceled due to inclement weather this past weekend.

"Everyone's coming around real well," said Coach Roy Gordon. "Some of the guys started off kind of slow, but they're really picking it up."

The Eagles are getting strong performances from all six seeds this season.

Garrett Moyer and Chip Goodman, the number five and six seeds respectively, are leading the team in victories.

Moyer is 12-2 and Goodman is 12-3 on the season. Number three seed Matt Bolen is second on the team with a record of 11-4 on the year.

Matt Strickler is next with a record of 9-4, and number one Phil Karasik and number two Declan Leonard are tied with a mark of 8-5 each.

"I feel real good going into the conference tournament," said Gordon. "If people play the way they're capable we should do well."

As for national tournament play,



Photo courtesy Sports Information
Men's third seed Matt Bolen

Gordon was not as confident. "We are not a national caliber team at this point. That could change however. Our number one doubles team (Karasik and Bolen) is a good possibility to make nationals if they play well the rest of the season."

Baseball Wins over Newport News

Purcell Extends Hitting Streak to 22 Games



Photo David Clayton
Shortstop Ray Stapleton leads the Eagles with 18 stolen bases.

Don Purcell's hitting streak was extended to a school record 22 games, as the MWC baseball team handily defeated Newport News Apprentice by a score of 18-10.

The Eagles improved to 21-4 overall and 6-1 in the conference. Their last loss was an 11-1 decision at Division I Old Dominion. The Eagles have played extremely well at home this season, posting 18 wins, with only one loss, an 8-6 decision to Catholic.

Jay Glover and Dan Beverly are currently tied for the leading batting average on the team, each having a .482 average. Glover also has 11 stolen bases, while Beverly leads the team in RBI's with 33 and doubles with eight. Purcell has raised his average to .394 during his hitting streak. Joe Kruper is batting .400 and tied with Beverly with a team-leading eight doubles.

On the mound, Mark Matthews is 4-0 with a 2.57 ERA in 28 innings pitched. He has also struck out 27. Jason Pierson has been the workhorse of the staff, amassing 39 innings pitched while posting a 3-2 record and compiling 34 strikeouts.

The Eagles will host Division I William & Mary, who visit Catholic before the Capital Athletic Conference tournament, which begins Saturday, April 16 at 1:00 p.m. The championship game at 4:00 p.m.



Rugby Drops First Match in Tourney Semi-finals

Finishes Regular Season at 6-0

The MWC Rugby Club lost its first match of the season in the semi-finals of the Cherry Blossom Tournament in Washington D.C. On Saturday, the Eagles defeated George Mason (32-0) Merchant Marine Academy at King's Point (15-4) and Georgia (19-0) to advance to the semi-final round, before losing 4-0 to eventual champion Maryland on Sunday.

The MWC men's rugby team finished out the regular season with big wins over Duke and Christopher Newport College. The ruggers defeated Duke 39-0 and Christopher Newport 58-0.

With the wins, MWC finishes the season with a perfect 6-0 record, including two wins over out of state rugby union champions.

Club president Jay Radshaw summed up the season remarking that, "there are no seniors on this team, everybody will be returning next fall, and we will be on a

mission to win the Virginia Rugby Union Championship trophy."

The backfield really came into play against Christopher Newport, as MWC had a brilliant outside running attack featuring multiple tries by wingers and fullbacks Kent Ingram, Charlie Miller, Sang Hwang, Eric Stohr and Tim Ringold.

Back row forward Dave Haun had the only score from the forwards, an exceptional support run in which five MWC running backs touched the ball before delivering it to Haun for the score.

The MWC ruggers have outscored their opponents this season by an amazing 203 to 23. Every player on the team has scored at least once this season.

Coach David Stockler felt it had been, "a fine season" but cautioned his team that they will face "much more difficult competition in post-season play."

Softball Splits Doubleheader with York

Improve to 13-9 on Season

The MWC softball team split a double-header with York of Pennsylvania on Saturday to improve to 13-9 on the season. The Eagles won the opener 16-4 and lost in the second game by a score of 5-4.

Kim Glover got the win in the first game and the loss in the second for MWC. With the win and the loss, Glover moves to 12-9 on the year. Glover has all of the Eagles' decisions except one, and has pitched 131 innings.

In the first game, Tracy Childers had three hits and one run batted in and Darlene Forst had two hits and two RBI's. Leadoff hitter Jay Wilson drove in three runs for the Eagles.

In the second game, the Eagles were held to just seven hits. Kristen Payne had two hits and five other MWC players had one apiece.

Sheri Whited, Melanie Haynie, Janet Marshall and Jay Wilson had RBI's for the Eagles in the 5-4 contest. Only one of York's five runs was earned.

York scored two runs in the top of the seventh inning to pull out the victory in the nightcap.

The Eagles have one regular season game left, April 16 against York. MWC will then play in the Capital Athletic Conference Tournament on April 20.



Junior firstbaseman Sheri Whited: hitting .333
Bullet file photo

RECORDS

RESULTS

Men's Baseball	21-4	Won 18-10 versus Newport
Women's Softball	13-9	Split versus York 4-5, 16-4
Women's Lacrosse	6-3	Lost 9-4 versus Lynchburg
Men's Lacrosse	2-7	Lost 18-6 versus Virginia Tech

Men's Tennis 9-3

Women's Tennis 13-5

MWC will host the CAC Baseball Championship April 20. Games are at 10:00, 1:00 with the championship game at 4:00.

SCHEDULES

Men's Lacrosse

Apr. 16 Hampden-Sydney	H
Apr. 20 Goucher	A
Apr. 23 St. Mary's	H

Women's Lacrosse

Apr. 17 Johns-Hopkins	H
Apr. 19 Longwood	H
Apr. 21 Salisbury State	A

Men's Tennis

Apr. 16 Liberty	H
Apr. 17 Hampden-Sydney	H
Apr. 19-21 CAC Tournament	A

Women's Tennis

Apr. 17 Bridgewater	A
Apr. 19-21 CAC Tournament	A

Geography Professor Charges College with Age Discrimination on Dismissal

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"The decision made by the department chair was supported by two department members, Richard Palmieri and Marshall Bowen," said Damron. "There's no limit to what they can say and they don't need proof."

Gouger, Palmieri, and Bowen all refuse to comment.

"It's inappropriate to discuss personnel matters," said Palmieri.

"We've been asked by the administration not to discuss this with anyone until the matter is resolved," said Bowen. "It's unfortunate that Dr. Damron feels he can talk about it and the rest of us don't."

Before filing the complaint with the EEOC, Damron says, he tried to solve his problem through campus grievance policies.

According to the MWC Faculty Handbook, a faculty member who disagrees with an evaluation may submit a letter of exception to the Academic Affairs dean regarding the evaluation, and request a conference with the dean and department chair to discuss problems. The president then makes a decision about the case based on the evaluation, the letter of exception, and a report of the conference.

According to Damron, after receiving his negative 1990 evaluation, he submitted a letter of exception to Philip Hall, vice president for Academic Affairs and dean. He requested a meeting with Gouger and Hall, but was instead told by Hall that he was fired with no chance to pursue his grievance or go through the College's tenure process, through which faculty members earn permanent appointment at the school.

Hall also refused to comment: "I cannot on personnel matters."

"The dean had already made up his mind," said Damron, who said he next requested a meeting with President William Anderson.

"[Anderson] told me that he'd look into it and then meet with me," said Damron. "Then he met with the dean and department members but refused to meet with me."

Anderson refused to comment directly about the case.

"Traditionally the administration does not discuss personnel matters because of possible legal implications and to respect the privacy of the individuals involved," said Anderson.

Although he says he has not been given the true reasons behind his terminated contract, the complaint which Damron filed with the EEOC cites age discrimination as a factor.

"I wanted to be here so badly that I took a job at the beginning professor's level," explained Damron, who is 48. "I was held to a higher standard than others at the same level as a result of my age and experience."

Damron's work with the campus Martin Luther King Day Celebration Committee and the Race and Gender Project were other factors cited in the complaint.

"I've been active with the Race and Gender seminars involving faculty-student dating and feminist theory, all considered none-of-your-business issues," he said.

"One member of my department believes some race and gender topics are private issues except for the parties involved," explained Damron.

Philosophy Professor Craig Vasey said Damron has been very involved with faculty summer seminars on race and gender issues.

"He was a good committee member, who was up-to-speed with enthusiasm for the relevance of race and gender issues in the curriculum," said Vasey. "He was a wonderful member. His enthusiasm for the project was something we counted on."

"He's a person of integrity," Vasey said. "I can trust him."

Economics Professor Shah Mehrabi worked with Damron on the Martin Luther King Day Planning Committee in 1989.

"He worked very hard as co-chair," Mehrabi said. "It requires a lot of extra commitment to make the program good and it was a very good program."

Mehrabi was also chair of the College Tenure Committee during 1990.

"Tenure credentials are very strict, and effectiveness in teaching is stated as the first and foremost element in granting tenure, followed by scholarship and service," said Mehrabi.

"Generally speaking, from what I [Damron] has told me and shown me, his student evaluations were over the college average. Anyone who has above-average student evaluations has been granted tenure at this school."

Mehrabi also questions the role of the individual department in the tenure process.

"Can a department be in a position to have a different criteria than the College, especially when the College awards tenure, not the department?" he asked.

"I'm very biased because he's my friend," Mehrabi said. "All I can say is praise for him."

According to Damron, faculty members have sent 20 or more letters of support and several petitions to

Anderson's office. Some faculty members, including philosophy Professor George Van Sant, who has since retired, spoke with Anderson directly.

"I was involved with the thing but I'm reluctant to make any comment," said Van Sant.

Most students think highly of Damron, although many considered his classes difficult.

Some students, like senior Donna Bost, have high praise for Damron. "He was the only professor that took the time out to individually teach me each class lecture when I got really sick my sophomore year and missed a month and a half of classes," said Bost. "He's the best professor MWC has."

Senior Kristen Adamson feels the same.

"If you ask for help, he will bend over backwards to help you," she said. "The school is losing an incredible professor."

The EEOC is still investigating the case, but Damron says he knows that this is his last semester here even if rehired.

"In all candor, I'll go somewhere else," he said. "All I'm looking for is a little justice."

"Due process is not assumed at MWC," he said. "The assumption is that the president will act in a fair way, but that's certainly not the case."

Although the EEOC can not discuss specific cases, officials did explain that the EEOC's procedure for investigating a complaint has several parts.

"We get the charging party's side of the story and then ask for the respondent's side," said Agnes Logan,

EEOC secretary to the area director.

"If an on-site visit is necessary then we may talk to others, including witnesses."

"An evaluation is then made by the investigator, followed by an evaluation by the supervisor," said Logan. "A final evaluation and decision is then made by the director."

Logan emphasized that the EEOC's jurisdiction covers only those items under federal law Title 7, including age, sex, race, and religion discrimination.

"If we find the complaint is not

covered under Title 7 or if we cannot find for the charging party, then the charging party is given the option to sue," she said. "If we find for the charging party then we try to litigate."

"We notify the respondent and charging party and try to negotiate a settlement," she continued. "If the respondent is not interested then the EEOC takes them to court."

"A decision may take as long as six months to a year," she said.

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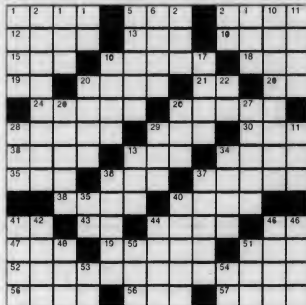
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- 15 Sea eagle
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